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## TELEGRAMS.

### THE BALKAN CRISIS.

#### FRENCH POLICY.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, May 27.

In the French Senate, M. Pichon announced that the difficulties in connection with the preliminaries for peace were narrowed down to the objections of Greece to the delimitation of Southern Albania, which put Greece and Italy in opposition. There were serious difficulties between the Allies, whose antagonism was being accentuated, but he hoped this painful spectacle would cease. France would interpose if necessary to play the part of arbiter. He concluded by declaring that France would not allow the questions in Asiatic Turkey to be settled without her.

#### Feeling Among Allies.

According to a telegram from Belgrade the Greek Minister has requested the Serbian Government to protest to Sofia in connection with the Gruevo-Bulgarian incident at Nigrita.

The Serbian Minister at Sofia has communicated to M. Guechoff the demand by Serbia for the revision of the Treaty of Alliance is equivalent to the abrogation of the Treaty.

A message from Sofia states that the semi-official organ "Mir" says that Serbia's demand for the revision of the Treaty of Alliance is equivalent to the abrogation of the Treaty.

There is good reason to believe that Russia, supported by the Powers, will do her utmost to prevent an armed conflict between the Allies.

An official statement published in Athens places the Greek losses in the Bulgaro-Greek fighting at 50 killed and 137 wounded.

## TIBET.

### ANGLO-CHINESE NEGOTIATIONS.

London, May 27.

Great Britain has favourably received the Chinese proposal that Wen Tsung Yao be specially appointed to settle the Tibetan question. The negotiations will be carried on in Darjeeling and not in London, as originally suggested.

### ROYALTY IN BERLIN.

#### KING GEORGE'S GIFT TO CHARITIES.

London, May 27.

Members of the British and German Royal families attended a performance of the opera "Kekyra," depicting ancient and modern life in Corfu, written and composed at the direction of the Emperor.

King George gave £500 to charities in Berlin.

#### Good News.

In the Singapore police court last week, a number of fines were imposed in order to discourage the ill-treatment of bullocks and other beast of burdens. For over-loading their bullock carts two Chinese were fined \$15 each, whilst a third was called upon to pay \$10 for a similar offence. For working a lame horse belonging to a towkay a Javanese syce was fined \$8.

## TELEGRAMS.

### FRENCH FINANCES.

#### MORE MONEY NEEDED.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, May 27.

Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that nearly £8,000,000 additional revenue is required by France for 1914.

It is proposed to cover this figure mainly by an increased tax on alcohol, and on stocks, stamp and transfer duties.

#### SMARTLY FINED.

#### Disorderly Youths Punished.

At the Police Court, this morning, before Mr Hazeland, five youths were charged with disorderly conduct outside the Wanchai Police Station.

Inspector McHardy said a charge was being taken in the charge room in which two females were concerned, and the defendants were outside the station shouting and jeering. They started pushing each other into the charge room.

Mr. Hazeland said there was a lot of this going on, especially where females were concerned. He fined them \$25 each, or in default one month.

#### A BIG HAUL.

But the Tins did not Contain  
Opium.

We have been informed that on Monday the 26th inst. information reached the opium farm that a large quantity of opium was stored at 41, Temple Street, Yaumati.

Mr. Hoggarth, of the opium farm, took out a warrant, and, in company with a party of police visited the house. They found no one on the premises, but in a locked cubicle they found nineteen packets, carefully tied up, containing, as they thought, prepared opium. They also found several loose tins, a quantity of labels, paste for sticking on the labels and several empty kerosene tins. When the stuff was taken to the police station and examined, it was found to be a substance of the consistency of paste, but not opium. Altogether there were 390 tins.

#### PUTTING UP SECURITY.

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton of Messrs. Deacon, Looker Deacon, and Harston, on behalf of Mr. F. Macou of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, applied to His Lordship the Puisne Judge in the case of Ah Men and Hing Cheong v. P. W. Johnson, that the defendant should be ordered to put up security to meet any judgment that might issue against him, in the action to recover \$158 for garments made.

Mr. Shenton said that the garments were made, but the defendant refused to take delivery or to pay for them, and the defendant was leaving to-day on the s.s. Rubi. There was the case of Sung Ming San v. Morren in which a person passing through could not be arrested, but in this case the defendant was continually coming backward and forward.

His Lordship gave an order for \$200 to be paid into court.

## TELEGRAMS.

### EMPIRE DAY SHOOT.

#### PROVISIONAL SCORES.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, May 28.

The provisional scores for the Empire Day Rifle Competition are as follows:—

Marine Artillery, Portsmouth 3,704.

2nd Hampshire, Mauritius 3,100.

29th Punjab's, Chaman 2,939.

2nd Buff. First Gurkhas, Dharmasala 2,851.

26th Punjab's, Hongkong 2,807.

2nd Norfolk, Belgaum 2,808.

28th Punjab's, Lahore 2,781.

Marine Infantry, Portsmouth 2,741.

Royal Fusiliers, Jubbulpore 2,730.

H.M.S. Pembroke 2,737.

60th Punjab's, Malakand 2,638.

Fourth Rifles, Ghorial 2,620.

Staffordshires, Pietermaritzburg 2,618.

20th Sikhs, Lucknow 2,612.

Wiltshires and Rifles, 2,595.

2nd Buff. Thirty Ninth Garhwal Rifles, 2,535.

Connagh's, Ferozapore, 2,515.

35th Sikhs, 2,502.

90th Punjab's 2,481.

62nd Punjab's 2,465.

H. M. S. Excellent 2,464.

18th Hussars 2,463.

2nd Berkshires, 2,406.

Transvaal Cyclist Volunteers 2,393.

Malay States Guides 2,390.

The final scores may be expected at about the beginning of July.

#### EMLEZZLEMENT CHARGE.

Josephs Again Before the  
Magistrate.

Before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning the American named O. S. Josephs, who stands charged with the misappropriation of \$1,000, the monies of Messrs Michael and Company, Cebu, was again remanded, the hearing being fixed for to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. Lewis, of Messrs Johnson Stokes and Master, prosecuted; and Mr. Grist, of Messrs Wilkinson and Grist, defended.

Defendant was late in arriving at the Court and Mr. Lewis said the case was remanded until this morning, formally, but he did not see the defendant in Court.

His Worship:—What day do you want?

Mr. Lewis:—You formally remanded it.

His Worship:—What about this afternoon?—That is rather early, say Monday afternoon. As a matter of fact I am getting a witness up from Cebu, and I don't mind if it is fixed for a week or ten days ahead. I think it is possible Mr. Grist is in it.

Mr. Grist (who had just arrived) I appear for Josephs. I am prepared to go on with the case.

His Worship:—When?

Mr. Grist:—To-morrow, or even to-day. The man has already been in goal for something like a week.

Mr. Lewis:—I am prepared to go on to-morrow afternoon, but it will have to be remanded later.

Mr. Grist:—I will oppose it.

Mr. Lewis:—I have a witness coming from Cebu and he is on his way.

Mr. Grist:—He should be here. The position is this. The defendant has been unable to find bail and he has already been confined for a week, and naturally he is anxious for the matter to be proceeded with as soon as possible.

His Worship:—The holidays have interfered with matters, but that is not my fault.

Mr. Grist:—No, that is our misfortune I am afraid.

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## TELEGRAMS.

### COTTON GROWING.

#### ADVISER FOR AUSTRALIA.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, May 27.

Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne wires that the Commonwealth Government is communicating with the British Cotton Growing Association to secure an expert to advise on the best method of promoting the cultivation of cotton in Australia.

This step is the outcome of the evidence given before the Empire Trades Commission strongly favouring the idea.

#### THE OPIUM TRAFFIC.

#### WORK OF SUPPRESSION.

London, May 27.

Reuter is informed that the provinces of Shantung, Anhui and Hunan, in which poppy growing has been officially declared to be suppressed, will be closed to the importation of Indian opium forthwith. The officials all report that the suppression is astonishingly thorough.

#### HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

The following corps orders by Captain C. V. S. Shrimshire have been issued:—

King's Park Range:—Members wishing to use the range after 4 p.m. or any of the following dates must notify the office 24 hours beforehand:—4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th June.

Concert:—Members attending the Concert on Friday 30th will wear undress uniform (khaki jacket and trousers). Concert commences at 9.15 p.m. H.E. the Governor will present the prizes.

King's Birthday Parade, Parade at Volunteer Headquarters 8.45 a.m. 3rd June. Dress: Khaki coat and trousers, helmet with dragon badge, waistbelt, bayonet and two small pouches. Rifle with sling, black boots. Medals will be worn. No putties. Rehearsal, King's Birthday Parade:—Members intending to be present on the 3rd June are requested to attend the parade at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday 29th inst.

Leave:—Captain C. V. S. Shrimshire is granted leave of absence for 2 months with effect from 4th May.

Joined:—Pte. D. J. Tacchi joined the Corps on the 20th inst., allotted Corps No. 1427 and posted to Civil Service Company.

Resigned:—Gr. J. D. Macaulay is permitted to resign with effect from 22nd May.

#### CLAIM FOR RENT.

This afternoon in the Summary Court, before Mr. Justice Kemp, Lau Wan So, of 253 Des Voeux Road, Central, sued the Tai San Chan Firm, of 235 Des Voeux Road Central, to recover the sum of \$1057, being as to the sum of \$290 for one month's rent due from February 1 to February 28, 1913, and as to the sum of \$860 for thirty days rent due at the rate of \$30 per day from March 1 to March 23 in respect of 253 Des Voeux Road Central, in accordance with the notice given on January 30 and as to the remaining sum of \$77 for rates due thereon. Plaintiff waived \$57 to bring the case within the jurisdiction of the Summary Court.

Mr. R. C. Faithfull appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. J. H. Gardiner for the defendant.

The case was proceeding as we went to press.

## TELEGRAMS.

### THE SCOTT EXPEDITION.

#### R. G. S. PRESENTATIONS.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, May 27.

Lord Curzon, at a meeting of the Royal Geographical Society, presented Lady Scott with a casket containing the two gold medals awarded her husband, a gold medal to the widow of Dr. Wilson, and a gold watch to Lieutenant Campbell.

Lord Curzon said no effort would be made to disturb the bodies of the heroes.

Lady Scott is lending her husband's diary to the Society.

#### INTERNATIONAL POLO.

#### American Team Shows Up Well in Practices.

With the near approach of the international polo contests between the United States and Great Britain, interest grows apace. From the following, published by the New York "Evening Post" of April 9th, it is evident the American players are straining every nerve to come out on top:—

To the end that the British challenges for the international polo cup may be stoutly repulsed on the green plains in Hempstead, beginning June 10 next, some dozen bronzed, muscle-hardened young men are journeying to George J. Gould's polo field at Georgian Court, Lakewood, three days of each week, and are there engaging in games of polo that are marked by a strenuousness and proficiency on the part of the players, and on the part of their ponies, endurance, speed, general handiness, and intelligence in following the ball, that are strongly suggestive of top season form.

Yesterday's series of three four-period games between Capt. Harry Payne Whitney's white-and-red teams was as good polo as any seen two years ago, not excluding the international games—which were not the finest polo in the world, by the way. This was as surprising as it was pleasurable to many close followers of the game who came down from New York not expecting to witness such a display of skill at this time of the year.

Backhand strokes—that hallmark of the finished game—were employed with utmost frequency by players on both sides with accuracy of direction that elicited enthusiastic comments all about the field. The ball was almost invariably passed from the side to the centre of the field in this manner, indicating polo of advanced type; there was striking certitude in the passing of the ball from one player to another, and a willingness to leave the willow spheroid to the next man and to jump ahead to precisely the strategic point that meant victory to the exponents of scientific play.

Nerve Wracking Moments of Play.

Throughout the golden afternoon there were many great moments and at least one nerve-wracking incident—that being a shoulder-to-shoulder collision between ponies ridden by J. S. Phipps and L. E. Stoddard, the former Yale player. The steeds hurtled together with the abandon of two billiard balls. It was Mr. Stoddard's mount that carried, the horse staggered away, went down upon his haunches, unhorsed the rider, and then recovered. Mr. Phipps's pony went over like a shot, the player underneath, it was all over in a moment, ponies once more on their feet, their riders in the saddle, and the ball thrown into play.

And there was a great deal of thrill, too, in the spectacle of the wonderful Lawrence Waterbury

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#### BRITISH TEAM'S VICTORY.

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coursing along the flawless turf against the sombre background of pines, doing everything that it is possible for one of the most expert poloists in this country to do on one of his very best days.

"Get it! Get it, Larry!" Capt. Whitney's vibrant voice would rise out of the welter and then, to the visual accompaniment of a flash of white, a streak of roan and a swirling glitter of polished yellow wood, "Larry" would get it. The one time he did not get it was marked by his staccato outcry, half apologetic, half of chagrin:—

"Couldn't, Harry."

And—well one simply knew he couldn't. That was all there was to that. The incident was closed. All in all there was very little uttered in the way of command. Play was going so strong and the players so prone to do the right thing that there seemed little necessity for that. Shouts of "leave it," in fact, were about all one heard in the way of vocal utterance. There was one very amusing exception when Devereaux Millburn, the greatest back in the world, playing for the red four, struck viciously from under his pony's neck to clear his goal of the threatening ball. In some way his mallet put a reverse English on the willow and with a contrariety that seemed almost human, the white sphere swung sideways and backwards, rolling between the goal posts and scoring a goal against his own side. While the back slumped into his saddle and hung his head in mock shame, the other players gathered about him, shaking his hand and putting him upon his back, sending a round chorus of mirth to the side lines.

Ponies in Fine Condition.

The ponies, with one or two exceptions, received the highest commendation from the men who rode them. They were, in point of fact, pretty near as close to form as were the players. At the end of each period, when the exchanges were made, a glance into the cooling-off tent revealed a group of quivering steeds, free from lather, and sweating out as cleanly as the most exacting trainer could wish—which is to say Larry Fitzpatrick. Considering the time of the year, and the extraordinary bursts of speed which they were almost constantly called upon to make up and down and across the field, the condition of the mounts was really remarkable. And the woods were full of them yesterday—this phrase to be accepted in its literal sense, since the paddock was a section of pine forest immediately at the rear of the scoreboard and stand.

There were at least a hundred ponies on the field yesterday. Hugh Drury had seventeen of them on the practice field; Juan Fuentes, of Coronado, Cal., had twenty; every pony of both strings trained to the minute and as handy, to quote one of Mr. Whitney's grooms, as a pocket in a coat. Mr. Whitney himself mounted five men, and Messrs. Stoddard, Phipps, and other players had thoroughly capable mounts on hand. Of the Fuentes ponies, Alvernie and Berta, both used by Lawrence Waterbury in the international games two years ago, were on hand, and in the fourth period that player was up on his roan Flora, which has attained great fame, both in America and in England.

## NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

### TELEGRAMS.

#### THE NEWS CONDENSED.

In the Interport shoot, Shanghai scored the fine total of 952.

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#### LOCAL.

Hongkong Volunteer Orders appear in to-day's issue.

Some tennis and billiard results appear to-day under the heading of Local Sport.

For disorderly conduct some Chinese youths were smartly fined at the Police Court this morning.

A rumour to the effect that a market is to be erected on the land occupied by the Empire Theatre is denied.

A special article to-day deals with interport shooting and offers some reasons for Hongkong's poor showing in recent years.

The case was continued in the Summary Court this morning in which G. F. Soley sues the Hongkong Hotel Company for \$198 in lieu of notice.

An interesting correspondence, dating from 1884 to 1898, dealing with the Clock Tower, will be found in this issue and is well worth reading.

#### DON'T FORGET.

##### TO-DAY.

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##### TO-MORROW.

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have failed, and gives its readers  
and the world at large the benefit  
of the views of these two men.  
The interviews are of exceptional  
interest. Read together, they re-  
veal a marked contrast in the at-  
titudes of the two men.

## China Mail.

## The Day of the Mammoth Liner.

To-day, more than ever, does it  
appear that the tendency is to in-  
crease rather than to decrease  
the dimensions of ocean-going  
steamers. Quite recently the Cana-  
dian Pacific Company's latest  
addition to its fleet of gigantic  
vessels, the Empress of Russia—  
was in Hongkong and in a few  
weeks the "Empress of Asia," her  
sister ship, is due to arrive. Both  
are larger in every respect than any  
of the other vessels of the C.P.R.  
fleet, large as those vessels are.  
From the Home papers we observe  
that the Allan Line has also  
entered the race in building larger  
vessels than they have so far built,  
and the second of their two new  
express mail service to Canada  
was launched on the 19th inst.,  
from the works of the Fairfield  
Shipbuilding and Engineering  
Company, Limited, at Govan.  
This vessel is named the Calgarian,  
and, like the Alsatian, launched  
last month by Messrs William  
Beardmore and Co., Limited, of  
Dalmuir, has been designed by  
the owners, the wide experience  
of Mr Hugh A. Allan, the chair-  
man of the company, and of  
Mr A. M. Gordon, the naval  
architect of the company, hav-  
ing resulted in many develop-  
ments, not only to ensure safety  
as far as it is attainable, but  
also add to the comfort of pas-  
sengers in the various classes.

## Daily Press.

## The Bomb Evil.

When a "Dare-to-Die Society,"  
armed with bombs, was organised  
as part of the Revolutionary force  
some eighteen months or more  
ago, we felt and said that a fright-  
ful error was being committed  
and that its mischievous effects  
would be far-reaching and would  
endure long after the military  
operations of the Revolution  
had come to an end. And  
this has proved, indeed, to  
be the case. The idea has  
been inculcated that the surest  
means of destroying the influence  
of a political opponent is to mur-  
der him, and notwithstanding  
that the military authorities, when  
hostilities ceased, disbanded the  
"Dare-to-Die" Societies, and cal-  
led in the bombs or other engines  
of destruction with which these  
corps had been equipped, we are  
constantly reading of bombs in  
association with political plots,  
and one wonders that outrages of  
the kind are not more numerous  
than is actually the case. Judging  
from the number of reports which  
appear in the Chinese papers,  
especially of the North, of persons  
being arrested for carrying bombs  
or other high explosives on their  
person, or having them in their  
houses it is quite time that the  
Government enacted some strin-  
gent law, if one does not already  
exist, making it a capital offence  
for any person, not duly authoris-  
ed, to manufacture, sell or possess  
these diabolical instruments of  
destruction.

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## GENERAL NEWS.

## Extraordinary.

An extraordinary case of a woman who lived for sixteen hours without breathing has come to the notice of the South Leicestershire Coroner. While at her work as a laundress at the Leicester Poor Law Infirmary at North Evington, Fanny Ann Godfrey, a single woman, aged fifty-five, who lived in St. Saviour's-road, Leicester, became suddenly ill. As she stopped breathing she was presumed to be dead. The doctors who were summoned by the nurse, however, were astonished to find that, although respiration had ceased, her heart continued to beat. Artificial respiration was continued. The heart continued to beat for sixteen hours after respiration had ceased. During the whole of that period artificial respiration was carried on without avail, and at length the heart ceased to beat.

## Wireless at Bombay.

The Departmental Wireless Telegraph Station on Butcher Island in Bombay Harbour will shortly be opened, with a range of six hundred miles overland and more over sea. It is similar in construction to that at Karachi with which it will be easily in touch. With these two stations at work, it will be possible to maintain communication with shipping over nearly the whole of the Arabian Sea area. The small wireless station at Bombay will be closed down when the installation on Butcher Island is ready.

## Singapore Type-Writing Competition.

Perhaps not yet in speed, but in numbers, the typists of Singapore can fairly be compared with those of other cities. Nowadays not to use the writing machine rather puts a firm out of it; and not to turn out decent work and quick, certainly handicaps the typist. To help remedy this, a competition is to be got up in Singapore. Two local firms are presenting prizes, and the trial of speed and accuracy takes place on July 9. —Free Press.

## Gang Robbers at Merlimau Estate.

Kuala Lumpur, May 20.—A gang of about a dozen Chinese robbers entered the quarters of Mr. James Greene, the manager of Merlimau Estate, and having removed the revolver he kept under his pillow, woke him up and demanded the keys of the safe. Mr. Green however, refused to give them up and they then behaloured him and tied him up with rope whilst they searched for the keys. Being unable to find them they carried the safe outside but were unable to force it and eventually made off to the coast. —Exchange.

Dutch Troops from New Guinea. The protection troops of the exploration detachment of South New Guinea and of South Celebes returned to Sourabaya on the morning of the 6th inst. by the government steamers, Spite, Arend, Valk, Auburas, Zwaan and Lombok. The first detachment was under the command of Capt. Franssen Herderschee and first Lieut. Snell, both of the infantry, and the other under Captain van de Werf. The troops speaking generally, did not appear healthy and were very thin, which is a repetition of the proof that a long stay in South New Guinea is not desirable. The troops were received with the music of the 13th battalion which accompanied them from the landing to the barracks. The Malay detachment of the newly arrived troops proceeded at once to that town.

## Search for Annam Emperor's Tomb.

The "Matin" correspondent at Hue states that the Resident-General, in agreement with the court, has instituted a search in the tomb of the Emperor Tudou of Annam, who died at Hue in 1883 and whose wars with the French led to the conquest of all Indo-China, with the object of finding his treasure, which is estimated at two million pounds. The "Matin" fears that this step will give rise to trouble with the natives.

The Right Hon. J. Bryce. A Reuter telegram from Tokio says that the Rt. Hon. James Bryce, who recently announced his resignation as British Ambassador at Washington, has arrived in Tokio from America.

## HEALTH TALKS.

## Tonics: Their Use, Abuse and Danger.

Under existing conditions, everyone in China needs a tonic at some time. Most of the drugs used for this purpose are, however, merely temporary stimulants which lose their effect soon after being stopped, or powerful poisons, like arsenic and strychnine, which should be used only under the doctor's orders. The need for tonics is, usually, that people have made undue demands on their nervous system. Alcohol, which so many take to enable them to meet these demands, is one of the worst things they can use. Apart from the reaction it causes, there is grave risk of its seriously undermining the general health.

Everyone will naturally ask—What is the best tonic? Let that distinguished physician, Dr. Claude L. Wheeler, answer. He writes:

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Camphor in Burma. It has been found that camphor will grow readily in Burma and the press has started an agitation to take up the crop seriously. It is argued that thousands of acres could easily be put under camphor, that the profits would be enormous and that employment could be found for about 200,000 people.

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TO LET—"BREEZY VILLA," No. 2, Park Road. 4 Roomed Bungalow with Tennis Court. Commands splendid View of Harbour. For Rent, etc., please apply to—YAP HOK LING, No. 4, Ripon Terrace, Hongkong, 28th Mar., 1913. [264]

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## LATE TELEGRAMS.

## For Bravery.

Washington, May 20.—For bravery and gallantry shown in action against hostile Filipinos several years ago, Capt. Louis Van Schaick, 14th infantry, was to-day presented with the Congressional medal of honour by President Wilson. The President personally made the presentation, Maj.-Gen. Leonard Wood and staff being present during the ceremony. In presenting the medal to Capt. Van Schaick, the President warmly commended him for his bravery on the occasion for which the honour was accorded him. —"Manila Times"

## The Tariff.

Washington, May 22.—Oscar Underwood, chairman of the ways and means committee of the House of Representatives, who is chiefly responsible for the tariff bill, says it will pass the

Senate, where all opposition would be unavailing.

Taken in good Part. Washington, May 22.—The State Department has received word that the reply of the United States to the Japanese note, cabled to Japan two days ago by the latter's representatives, on the subject of the Californian alien land legislation was received in very good part by Japan. This is taken as a sign that the situation is at present very favourable. —"Cablenews."

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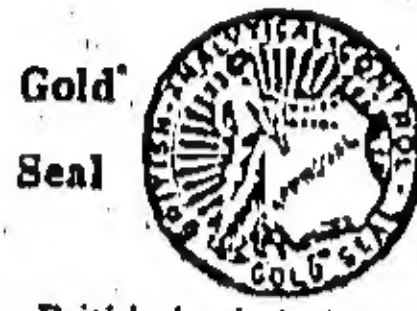
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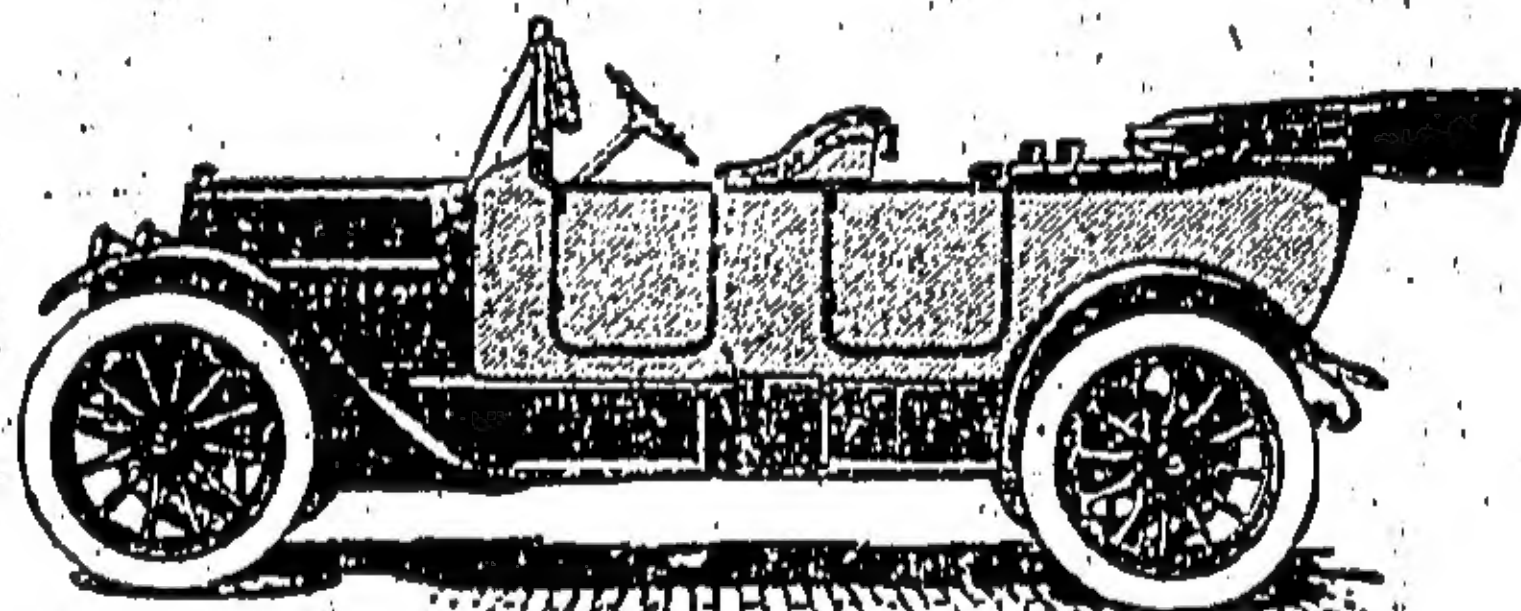
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## THE CLOCK TOWER.

(Continued from page 8).

2. That the same be replaced by an ornamental design combining both a cluster of Gas Lamps and Street Indicators to be set back at a sufficient distance to allow of passenger traffic to pass along the line of route on that side of the foot pavement of the Queen's Road or that it be replaced by such other suitable structure as Your Excellency may be advised to place there.

And Your Memorialists will ever pray etc.

Hongkong, March, 1884.

Copy Signatures to Memorial.

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The Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, March 29, 1884.

Sir,—I am directed by Govern-

nor Sir George Bowen to acknow-

ledge the receipt by His Excel-

lency of your letter of the 28th

instant, forwarding a petition

signed by a large number of the

inhabitants of Hongkong praying

for the removal of the Clock

Tower to another site.

His Excellency has already

requested the Surveyor General

to report on this case and he will

also consult the executive Council

upon it.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

W. H. Marsh,

Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office

Hongkong, 3rd April 1884.

Sir,—Adverting to my letter

No. 339 of the 29th ultimo, I am

directed by the Governor to in-

form you that His Excellency is

advised by the Executive Coun-

cil, that, as the Clock Tower

was built by public subscription

and it would require a consider-

able sum of money from the

Colonial Revenue to rebuild

it, the consideration of its re-

moval should be deferred until

new Peddar Street Wharf shall

have been taken in hand, and

until the urgently required Sanit-

ary and other Public Works now

in progress shall have been com-

pleted.

The Governor concurs with this

view. I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

W. H. Marsh,

Colonial Secretary.

18, Bank Buildings,

June 24th, 1884.

Sir,—Referring to your letter

to me of the 3rd April last (No.

366) regarding the removal of

the Clock Tower and wherein

you say the consideration of the

removal of the Clock Tower

should be deferred until the new

Peddar's Street Wharf shall have

been taken in hand, I observe

that it is in contemplation of

bringing forward in the estimates a

sum of money for the purpose of

building a new Peddar's Wharf.

I would now ask that in such

estimates a sum of money be in-

cluded for the removal and

rebuilding of such Clock Tower.

I may mention that I am con-

tinually being asked by the

townspeople when the Clock

Tower is to be removed and that it

is the wish of everyone that such

an obstruction be removed.

I am, Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

(Sd.) Matthew J. D. Stephens.

The Honorable Frederick Stewart, L. L. D. Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office Hongkong 30th June 1884.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 26th instant on the subject of the Clock Tower, I am directed by His Excellency the Governor

refer you to Letter No. 366 of the 3rd April last from this office.

I have to honour to be

Your most obedient servant

Frederick Stewart,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

18, Bank Buildings,

June 2nd, 1885.

Sir,—That the Peddar's Street

Wharf is now about being taken

in hand I am desirous of referring

you to your letter to me of the

3rd April 1884 wherein you say

that the consideration of the re-

moval of the Clock Tower should

be deferred until the new Peddar

Street Wharf should have been

taken in hand.

The removal would be a great

improvement to the Colony that

one continuous Street should run

from Peddar's Wharf into the

Queen's Road opening up the traf-

fic which is at present greatly

impeded.

I am, Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

(Sd.) Matthew J. D. Stephens.

The Honorable

W. H. Marsh, C.M.G.

Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 2nd June 1885.

Sir,—In reply to your letter of

to-day, I am directed by the Gov-

ernor to inform you, that His Ex-

cellency agrees with you that the

removal of the Clock Tower from

its present position would be a

great improvement; but he is, at

the same time unable to ignore

the fact that this was built by

public subscription, and the re-

moval would no doubt give offence

to some of the subscribers.

I am to add however, that there

is no money at present available

for the purpose of its removal.

I have the honour to be Sir,—

Your most obedient servant.

(Sd.) J. H. Stewart Lookhart,

Colonial Secretary.

18 Bank Buildings,

Hongkong,

December 22 1888.

Sir,

I have been desired by several

of the gentlemen who signed the

petition to Sir George Bowen,

dated March 1884, praying for

the removal of the Clock Tower

from its present site at the junc-

tion of Peddar's Hill and Queen's

Road, to refer you to the letter of

the Honble. W. H. Marsh, the late

Colonial Secretary, dated 3rd April

1884, with reference thereto

wherein it is stated "The consi-

deration of its removal should be

"deferred until the new Ped-

"dar's Street wharf shall have

"been taken in hand, and until

"the urgently required sanitary

"other public works now in pro-

"gress shall have been com-

"pleted."

Since the petition referred to

was presented over four and a half

years have elapsed, and the several

matters therein referred to have

been completed. The traffic in

the Queen's Road having in the

meantime greatly increased, the

Tower impedes traffic

very considerably, and it is

often dangerous crossing

the road, when chairs and vehicles

come from the other side of the

Tower unobserved. The condi-

tions of its usefulness too have

become entirely changed, by

houses having been built in

various directions, and trees

having grown up along the

Queen's Road that at present time

the clock can be seen from very

few points.

I am, Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

(Sd.) Matthew J. D. Stephens

The Honorable

Frederick Stewart, L. L. D.

Colonial Secretary,

Hongkong.

Colonial Secretary's Office

Hongkong Dec. 28, 1888.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the

22nd instant, I am directed by the

Governor, to inform you that His

Excellency regrets his inability to

entertain your application for the

removal of the Clock Tower from

its present position.

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## FAR EASTERN NAVAL SQUADRONS.

## HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS ON THE CHINA STATION.

Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Commander.	Reported at
Alacrity	Despatch-boat	1,700	12	2,000	Comdr. C. L. Lampe	Hongkong
Atlas	Admiralty tug	—	—	—	Master W. West	Hongkong
Brantley	Gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Com. B. E. Prichard	Yangtze
Britomart	Gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Com. W. H. Darwell	Yangtze
Odinus	British sloop	1,070	6	1,400	Comdr. H. Williams	Shanghai
Onion	Water tank and tug	390	—	300	Master H. Smith	Hongkong
Olio	British sloop	1,070	6	1,400	Comdr. Mackenzie, D.S.O.	Hongkong
Fame	Torpedo-boat destroyer	380	8	5,700	Lt.-Com. Wilkinson	Hongkong
Flora	2nd class cruiser	4,350	10	7,000	Capt. C. F. Corbett M.V.O.	Shanghai
Handy	Torpedo-boat destroyer	295	6	4,000	Lt.-Com. F. G. Brickenden	West River
Janus	Torpedo-boat destroyer	280	6	3,900	Lt.-Com. Boddam Whetham	Hongkong
Kent	1st class cruiser	9,000	14	22,000	Capt. Allen T. Hunt O.S.I.	Hongkong
Kinsha	River gunboat	618	4	1,200	Lt.-Com. H. Marryatt	Yangtze
Merlin	Surveying ship	1,040	—	—	Capt. F. O. C. Pasco	Hongkong
Minotaur	1st class cruiser	14,800	—	27,000	Capt. G. O. Cayley	Hongkong
Monmouth	1st class cruiser	9,800	—	22,000	Capt. B. H. F. Bartelot.	Hongkong
Moorhen	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Com. Alan Dixon	Hongkong
Swallow	2nd class cruiser	4,800	12	22,000	Capt. Frederick A. Powlett	Hongkong
Nightingale	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. M. Murray	Yangtze
Otter	Torpedo-boat	385	6	6,300	Lt.-Com. E. T. R. Chambers	Canton
Ribble	Torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7,500	Lt.-Com. E. J. G. Mackinnon	Hongkong
Robin	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Nash	West River
Rosario	Depotship for Submarines	980	—	1,400	Lt.-Comdr. N. E. Archdale	Hongkong
Sandpiper	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. I. S. Hutton	Hongkong
Snipe	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. Maurice Leslie	Yangtze
Taku	Torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6,000	Gunner W. H. Ryder	Hongkong
Tamar	Receiving ship	4,650	6	—	Com. R. H. Anstruther C.M.G.	Hongkong
Teal	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Com. Hon. Guy Stopford	Yangtze
Thistle	Gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Com. H. R. N. Cotrell Dorrer	Yangtze
Uk	Torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7,500	Lt.-Comdr. Maxwell	Canton
Virago	Torpedo-boat destroyer	355	6	6,300	Lt.-Com. H. D. Adair-Hall	Hongkong
Welland	Torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7,500	Com. Seymour	Hongkong
Whiting	Torpedo-boat destroyer	360	6	5,900	Com. R. Neville	Hongkong
Widgeon	Gunboat	195	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. J. C. Botrett Upper	Yangtze
Woodcock	Gunboat	150	2	500	Lt.-Com. M. B. Blackwood	Yangtze
Woodlark	Gunboat	150	2	500	Lt.-Comdr. Lloyd	Shanghai
C. 36.	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. Godfrey Herbert	Hongkong.
C. 37.	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. A. A. L. Fenner	Hongkong.
C. 38.	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. J. R. A. Codrington	Hongkong.
T.B. 035.	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. Handley	West River.
T.B. 036.	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. Stileman	Hongkong.
T.B. 037.	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. Nicol	Hongkong.
T.B. 038.	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. H. W. Seymour	Hongkong.



## THE CLOCK TOWER.

(Continued from Page 4).

I have the honour to be  
Sir  
Your most obedient servant  
Frederick Stewart, Colonial  
Secretary.  
M.J.D. Stephens Esq.

P.L.B. 472-474

February 5, 1893.

Sir,  
I venture to address you regarding the removal of the Clock Tower with a hope that for the benefit of the public and traffic, it may be removed without further delay or loss of time.

On the 28th March 1884, I forwarded to the Colonial Secretary a petition numerously signed by the merchants, bankers and residents of Hongkong, praying for the removal and it was at that time considered by the then Governor that the removal would be a great improvement.

Fourteen years will have elapsed, next month, since March 1884, and still the Clock Tower stands impeding the growing traffic to the danger both of the pedestrian and the Ricksha.

It is only since 1884 and after the petition referred to was sent in that the Ricksha has been used in Hongkong to any extent as at that time there were only one or two known private ones. More space is consequently required in the Streets. Besides, since this time the traffic has still increased and is growing yearly and the Streets are more used by Europeans on foot.

I have found when walking across the Queen's Road at this point, proceeding between the Post Office and Clock Tower towards the Praya, a Ricksha will be following at a pace in the rear and another Ricksha at the same time coming up Pedder's Street, passing close to the passenger at the point referred to. The Ricksha in the rear advancing on the left and the pedestrian being unable to avoid the Ricksha coming from the Praya, not being in a position to see it, it becomes a close shave whether he will not be collided against. At night time between dark and nine o'clock the position becomes worse.

Again with regard to carriages approaching towards the main entrance in Pedder's Street of the Hongkong Hotel from Queen's Road or vice versa it is practically impossible for the pedestrian to pass by a carriage when between the Clock Tower and the Verandah of the Hongkong Hotel. Even when this is so a Chinaman will persist in pushing his way through while the carriage is in motion, much to the annoyance of the occupants of the carriage and a Chinaman who should happen to be injured in this position, the driver of the carriage would necessarily be brought to account.

The Clock itself I have been informed was given by the late Mr Douglas Lapraik. Few of the present residents of Hongkong would know even that the Clock had been given to the Colony by Mr Lapraik. The large stained glass window over the Communication table in the Chancel of St John's Cathedral was erected to the memory of this gentleman and his memory will thus be still perpetuated even after the removal of the Clock Tower. Light and air are shut out materially from the houses opposite and at the side of the Tower including the portion of the Hotel and the tenants occupying the surrounding shops and offices have for a long time been enquiring when will the obstruction be removed.

When the time arrives that the Clock Tower is removed the wonder will be how was it that it was not removed before.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient.

(Sd.) Matthew J. D. Stephens.

Public Work Department No 104.

Public Works Office.

Hongkong, 8 February, 1893.  
Sir, I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 5th instant regarding the removal of the Clock Tower from its present position and to say that I shall have much pleasure in forwarding your letter to Government, for favourable consideration.

I have the honour to be, Sir,  
Your obedient servant.

(Sd.) R. D. Ormsby,  
Director of Public Works.  
M. J. D. Stephens, Esq.

Government of Hongkong

December 2.

Dear Mr Stephens,  
Thanks very much for sending me the enclosed letters and copy of petition regarding the removal of the Clock Tower.

One of the obstacles then in the way, namely the fear of hurting the feelings of some of the original subscribers, would be less after the lapse of years since 1884. I think the new courts should have a clock tower and the old one removed altogether.

Yours sincerely,  
(Sd.) R. D. Ormsby,  
Surveyor General.

## CAN MERCHANT SHIPS BE ARMED?

Further Interchange of Views.

There has been a further exchange of views between representatives of the Admiralty and certain of the shipping lines respecting the proposals for the arming of merchant ships; but the conversations were of quite an informal character. The companies which were again approached expressed their willingness to fall in with the scheme as far as possible, but there is a strong feeling that before much can actually be done certain points should be cleared up. The points involved are, first, questions of international law. Owners want to know definitely what the attitude of hostile men-of-war would be towards armed merchant ships. If there is any risk that such merchant vessels might be regarded by an enemy as privateers the owners will certainly think very seriously before committing themselves to the scheme. In this question they have to consider their relationship to their underwriters and to the shippers of cargo. If and when such points as these are satisfactorily answered progress will, no doubt, be made; but in some quarters there is an idea that the plan is still far from completion, and in others the feeling is by no means one of enthusiasm.

There is no escape, though, from Mr Churchill's argument that unarmed British ships would be at the mercy of foreign merchantmen converted, perhaps on the high seas, into armed ships. One of the practical difficulties in the way of the arming of merchantmen which owners are now beginning to realize is the question of port regulations. As a rule port authorities prohibit vessels from lying alongside wharves or docking with explosives on board, and it would seem that before British armed vessels could violate these rules the permission of a great many authorities of various nationalities would have to be obtained. The example of the Port of London is a rather stringent one in this respect, for vessels have discharge even their rockets and blue lights before docking.

This question of port regulations applies to the whole mercantile marine, but the other matters are rather for individual owners. The upper decks of merchantmen have not been built with firing in view, and investigation would have to be made in each case to decide whether the decks would be strong enough to bear the recoil. Another point which some owners are raising is the adequate training of the crews. It must be admitted that, at present at any rate, little enthusiasm for the scheme is to be found among shipping authorities generally. Some would thoroughly approve of the equipment of all new liners with gun platforms, but they fear that the actual mounting of the guns may be regarded as provocative, and the prospect of the arming of all first-class liners, with the possibility of "misunderstandings" and "incidents," is not considered a pleasing one.

The Somersets.

The 2nd Bn., Somerset Infantry, on transfer from North China to India next trooping season, will be quartered at Quetta. The previous arrangement was that that battalion was to go to Lebong near Darjeeling.

## SERVICE MATTERS.

Commodore Gaunt.

Captain E. F. Gaunt, O. M. G., who has been appointed Commodore, 2nd class, in command of the Royal Naval Barracks, Chatham, in succession to Rear-Admiral S. E. Erskine, is 28th in the seniority list of his rank and has been in command of the battleship "Superb" since September 22, 1911. Captain Gaunt, who was Commissioner and Superintendent Transport Officer at Weihai-wei during the Boxer outbreak, was mentioned in General Gaselee's despatches and received the thanks of the Austrian and German Commanders-in-Chief for his services, besides, acknowledgments from the British Admiralty for his work in China, was afterwards rewarded by the C.M.G. being conferred upon him. In December, 1903, he commanded a landing party at Durbo, Somaliland, to avenge the death of an Italian Lieutenant, being severely wounded, and receiving the thanks of the Italian Chamber of Deputies, and the Italian medal "For valour."

H.M.S. New Zealand.  
It is estimated that 65,000 people visited the battle-cruiser New Zealand when she was at Wellington. The chiefs presented Captain Halsey with a Maori battle-axe, a kiwi robe, and other ornaments and heirlooms. Native gifts were also made to Prince George of Battenberg, who is a sub-lieutenant on the cruiser, and the Earl of Carlisle, who is a midshipman.

The Worcestershire's Plate.  
Leaving England thirteen years ago, the sergeants' mess of the Worcestershire Regiment warehoused its silver plate and trophies, but those responsible died abroad, and on the regiment's return the property could not be traced. One chest out of the three has just been found with the Junior Army and Navy Stores, but the whereabouts of the others is unknown.

Straits Army Estimates.  
Commenting on the Singapore army estimates the "L. and C. Express" says:—As regards the Straits Settlements, the establishment remains practically stationary in numbers at 2,504, whilst the estimated expenditure is slightly less at £185,800. We may note that the military contributions made by the Colonies of Hongkong and the Straits have automatically risen considerably, the former advancing £30,000, to £15,000, and the latter as much as £53,000 to £270,000. Apart from any gratification which may be derived from the consciousness that they are thus paying a substantial amount towards Imperial defence, the members of those colonies may endeavour to find comfort in the fact that the higher military contributions testify to their growing revenues and increasing prosperity.

Australian Cadets Heavily Fined.  
A number of cadets were before the Police Court at Broken Hill N.S.W. last month, charged with breaches of the Defence Act. A majority of them were fined £3, with 6s costs, or one month's custody. One was fined £2 and 2s costs, or three weeks; and one was fined £5 and costs, or two months.

Major S. C. Long.

Major S. C. Long, Rifle Brigade, who has been on half pay since giving up the appointment of commandant, School of Signalling, Aldershot, in July last, has been brought on the establishment on absorption. This officer, says the "Free Press," was Garrison Adjutant when the 1st Battalion R. B. (Col. Norcott) was in Singapore.

Misstep to the s.s. Yu Shun.  
The C.M.S.N. Co's s.s. Yu-shun lost her propeller while going up the Peiho River last Thursday week and arrived at Tientsin with the assistance of a tug.

Appointed to Bounding Commission.  
Captain H. S. Toppin, Northumberland Fusiliers, has been selected for service with the Peruvian Boundary Commission, with the temporary rank of Major whilst so employed. Major Toppin was a popular young Subaltern with the 2nd Battalion 5th (Northumberland) Fusiliers, while stationed in Singapore.

## MARKET PRICES.

Hongkong, May 8, 1913.

## BUTCHER MEAT.

	Ota.
Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut,—Mei Lung Pa	lb. 18
" Corned,—Ham Ngau Yuk	" 18
" Roast,—Shiu	" 18
" Breast,—Nagu Lam	" 12
" Soup,—Tong Yuk	" 15
" Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa	" 18
" do.—Sirloin Coton—Ngau Lau	" 28
" Sausages,—Ngau Chung	" 20
Bullock's Brains—Know	per set 9
" Tongue fresh,—Ngau Li	each 45
" corned,—Ham Ngau Li	" 55
" Head,—Ngau Tan	" 60
" Heart,—Ngau Sam	" 12
" Hump, Salt,—Ngau Kin	" 15
" Feet,—Ngau Kaak	" 8
" Kidneys,—Ngau Yi	" 9
" Tail,—Ngau Mei	" 18
" Liver,—Ngau Kon	lb. 12
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	" 6
Calvo Head & Feet,—Ngau-chai-ian-kark	set \$1
Mutton Chop,—Young Pei Kwat	lb. 25
" Leg,—Young Pei	" 25
" Shoulder,—Young Shau	" 22
Pigs Chitlings,—Chu Chong	" 27
" Brains,—Chu Know	per set 2
" Feet,—Chu Kark	lb. 12
" Fry,—Chu Chak	" 30
" Head,—Chu Tau	" 18
" Heart,—Chu Sum	each 10
" Kidneys,—Chu Yiu	" 8
" Liver,—Chu Con	lb. 24
Pork Chop,—Chu Pai Kwat	" 23
" Corned,—Ham Chu Yuk	" 27
" Leg,—Chu Pa	" 27
" Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau	" 24
Sheep Head and Feet,—Tau Kark	set 65
" Heart,—Young Sum	each 9
" Kidneys,—Young Yiu	" 9
" Liver,—Young Con	lb. 25
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Cha	" 22
Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau	" 18
" Mutton,—Sang Young Yau	" 25
Veal,—Ngau Chai Yuk	" 18
" Sausages,—Ngau Chai Chung	" 28

## POULTRY.

	Ota.
Chicken,—Kai Chai	lb. 34
Capon, Large, Small,—Sin Kai	" 33
Ducks,—Ap	" 24
" Musk,—Wong Keng	" 24
Doves,—Pan Kau	each 24
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan	per doz 24
Fowls, Canton,—Kai	lb. 36
" Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai	" 32
Geese,—Ngoi	" 24
Geese, Wild,—Shang-ho Yee Ngoi	" 24
Musk Deer,—Wong Keng	each —
Hare, Shanghai,—Yu Chai	" 70
Partridge,—Chai Khoo	" pair 32
Pheasant,—Shan Kai	" pair 32
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kup	each 18
" Hoihow,—Hoi How Pak Kup	" 23
Quail,—Um-Chun	" dozen 22
Rice Birds,—Wo Pa Cheul	" each 22
Snipe,—Sa-Choy	" lb. 60
Turkeys, Cook,—Phor Kai Kung	" 45
" Han,—Na	" 45
Wild Ducks, Shai,—Shang hoi Sui Ap	" 45
Teal,—Sui Ap Chai	" 45
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang-Shing Sui Ap	" 45

## FISH.

	Ota.
Barbel,—Ka Yu	lb. 15
Bream,—Bin Yu	" 15
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Hoi Sin Yu	" 20
Carp,—Li Yu	" 20
Catfish,—Chik Yu	" 11
Codfish,—Man Yu	" 13
Crabs,—Hai	" 14
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu	" 16
Dab,—Sa Mang Yu	" 15
Dace,—Wong Mei Lun	" 8
Dog Fish,—Tik Yu	" 15
Eels, Congor,—Hoi Mann	" 25
" Fresh water,—Tam Sin Yu	" 14
Eels, Yellow,—Wong Sin	" 32
Mullet,—Tien Kai	" 32
Garoupe,—Sok Pan	" 55
Gudgeon,—Pak Kup Yu	" 12
Herrings,—Tao Pak	" 16
Halibut,—Chung Kwan Kup	" 17
Labrus,—Wong Pa Yu	" 24
Loach,—Wu Yu	" 32
Loach,—Lang Ha	" 32
Maackerel,—Chik Yu	" 16
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu	" 28
Mullet,—Chai Yu	" 18
Oysters,—Sang Hoo	" 24
Parrotfish,—Kai Kung Yu	" 16
Perch,—Tan Loo	" 15
Pike,—Pa Faw Pong	" 9
Plaice,—Pan Yu	" 17
Pomfret,—Hak Chong	" 20
Pomfret,—White,—Pak Chong	" 28
Prawns,—Ming Ha	" 48
Ray,—Kai Pa	" 15
Rock Fish,—Sok Kai Kung	" 15
Roach,—Chun Yu	" 24

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Salmon,—Ma Yan Y	lb. 24
Shark,—Sa Yu	" 9
Skate,—Po Yu	" 10
Shrimps,—Ha	" 28
Snapper,—Lap Yu	" 22
Soles,—Tat Sa Yu	" 20
Tench,—Wan Yu	" 18
Turbot,—Cho How Yu	" 18
Turtles, small, fresh water,—Kork Yu	" 58
White Bait,—Ngau Yu Chai	" 1

## FRUITS.

	Ota.
Almonds,—Hung Yau	lb. 28
Apples (California)—Kam San Ping Kho	" 25
" (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Kho	" 25
" Small,—Hoi Tong	" 25
Ornate,—Fan Lai Chi	each 1
Bananas, fragrant, Canton,—San Shing Heung Chiu	lb. 7
" (brides), Macao,—San Heung Chiu	" 13
Chestnuts, Chinese,—Fong Lut	" 4
Carambola,—Young Tse	" doz 36
Cocconuts,—Yeh Tse	" each 10
Lemons, China,—Ning Moong	" lb. 8
" America,—Kum San Ning Moon	" 8
Lichees Dried,—Lai Chi, small Stone	" 25
" Fresh	" 15
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong	each 12
Mango, Manila,—Lui Sung Mong	" 20
Mangosteens,—San Chuk Tse	" doz 36
Oranges, (Canton)—San-shing Tim Ching	lb. 8
" Sweet	" 1
Pears, (American)—Kam San Shoot Lay	" 12
" (Canton), Cooking,—Sa Lay	" 12
Peanuts,—Fa Sang	" 12
Perseimons Large,—Hung Chie	" 12
Pine-apples, 1st quality,—Poon Ti Paw Law	each 1
" 2nd	" 1
Plantain,—Tai Chou	" lb. 3
Plums,—Swatow, Hung Lai	" 6
Pumelo, Siam,—Chim Lo Yau	each 25
" Shanghai,—Lo Kwai	" 10
Walnuts,—Hop Tuo	" lb. 13
" Green,—Sang Hop Tuo	" 13
Water Melon,—(Am.) Kom San Sai Kwa	each 14
" (China) Sai Kwa	" 14
Grapes,—Sang Po Tai Tse	" lb. 30

## VEGETABLES, &amp;c.

	Ota.
Artichokes, Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Ah Chi	lb. 8
Beans, (French), Macao,—Oh Moon Pin Tai	" 10
" (French) Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Pin	" 10
" Tau	" 6
" Sprout,—Ah Cho	" 6
" Long,—Tau Ko	" 6
Best Root,—Hung Chai Tau	each 6
Brinjals, Green,—Ching Yuen	" 6
" Red,—Hung Ker	" 10
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy	" 12
Cabbage Red,—Hung Yee Choy	" 8
Cabbage, Shanghai,—Yeh Chai	" 12
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kau Shun	" lb. 1
Cauliflower, Large size,—Tai Yeh Chai	each 1
" Medium size,—Ching Yeh Chai	" 1
" Small size,—Sai Yeh Chai	" 1
Carrots,—Kam Shum	" lb. 8
Celery, Chinese,—Tong Kan Chai	" 6
" English,—Young Kan Chai	" 6
Chillies Dried,—Gon Lat Chai	" 25
" Red,—Hung Far Chai	" 15
" Green,—Ching Lai Chai	" 10
Curry Staff, English,—Kar Lee Chu Liu	" 6
Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa	" 12
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa	" 8
Garlic,—Que Tan	" 8
Ginger, young,—Sun Tse Keung	" 6
" old,—Lo Keung	" 12
Horse Radish, Shanghai,—Lai Kan	" 6
Indian Corn,—Sak Mai	each 5
Lettuce,—Young Sang Chai	" 1
Water Chestnuts,—Ma Tai	" lb. 5
" Mandarin,—Kwai Lum Ma Tai	" 5
Mushrooms, Fresh,—Sang Cho Koo	" 12
Muah Melon, Amer.—Kam-sat Hong Kwa	each 12
Okroes,—	" lb.



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### AGAINST EARLY RETIREMENTS.

One of the late telegrams printed in our issue of Monday announced that Mr. Josephus Daniels, the United States Secretary for War, has declared against early retirements from Government service when the officers who propose to retire are in good health. This is a question to which every civilised Government has, in late years, devoted much serious discussion and thought, and the nearest that even the most thoughtful and the most judicious have got to a settlement of the difficulty is to admit that it is impossible to lay down an inflexible rule. For, obviously, there is no regular relationship between years and experience, or between years and ability. Some people have never had any childhood, but have gone straight from the cradle to manhood or womanhood; others, on the contrary, will never grow up if they live to be four score; and, even neglecting those two extreme cases, we have to own that, in not one per cent. of all intermediate cases, is a man's sum of years any necessary guarantee of his usefulness or non-usefulness.

The prevailing preference, in all walks in life, for the "young" man can probably be traced to two main causes. In the first place, it may be taken as the opposite swing (doubtless based on costly experience) of public opinion from the almost superstitious associating of the idea of age with that of wisdom, to which the world clung so jealously from patriarchal times to within a century of our own days. (Surely the old Roman word *senatus*, and its survival in British University, and French and American Government, phraseology is not without its significance here.) Secondly, and more evidently, the preference is due to a general recognition of the fact that, since life moves nowadays at a greater rate than formerly, years tell more quickly on the human constitution; so that the twentieth century man of sixty is appreciably older than the eighteenth or nineteenth century man of that age. These two factors, working together, have convinced society—or at least no inconsiderable portion of it—that the old man should be regarded as "out of it"; a lumberer of the ground; a clog on the wheel; and no amount of supplying of instances of great men who have kept their mental and bodily vigour up to a great age—Gladstone, Bismarck, Leo XIII, Huxley, Tennyson, Emerson, Tolstoi, and scores of others whom one could quote—will apparently alter that belief.

But the time will come—and that soon—when all who have the welfare of their own particular country at heart, will acknowledge that it is quite out of man's power to draw a definite line at which any individual's period of usefulness ends; and then we shall hear no more of the cry "too old at forty," or of any ordinance to compel a general, a judge, an admiral or a politician to retire at a certain age. Enforced retirement at (say) sixty-five may sound well in theory; but Lord Kitchener will be that age in another couple of years. If, in two years' time, England should be engaged in another war, how many of us would be content to see our greatest general shelved, and labelled as no use? A public man's retirement should be settled by the vote of a really responsible committee; a committee that will allow a nonagenarian to keep office if he can still benefit the State by so doing; and that will, without allowing itself to be influenced by sentiment or favour, waste no words in cashing even the man of forty the moment he proves himself incompetent.

#### That Lukong.

Yesterday afternoon, on looking out from the windows of the "Telegraph" office, we observed a Lukong on duty in the road below. We heaved a sigh of contentment and returned to our work, for we felt secure; the "Telegraph" was in safe keeping. An hour or so later, as we were leaving the office, we noticed that the guardian of law and order was still at his post, apparently as faithful to his trust as the boy who stood on the burning deck. But, looking more closely at him, we saw that his eyes were closed, and, as we drew nearer, a gentle—what shall we say?—stertorous breathing, was distinctly audible from his direction. The dear man was sleeping as peacefully as a child in its mother's arms! We stood still, wondering how long he would continue to sleep. Unhappily some ribald coolies, tickled to death at our astonishment at what was, to them, evidently a common sight, burst into a chorus of laughter; and the sleeper awoke, rubbed his eyes, and, with an injured air, moved a little lower down the road.

#### The Raid on Beggars.

Fortunately for the Colony, the European, and most of the Indian, members of the police force are made of more energetic stuff. Apropos, we offer our congratulations to the sergeant who, on Monday, brought sixteen beggars before Mr. Melbourne at the Police Court. This was a pretty good haul, and we hope, to hear that one similar is made within the next few days. If a census of Hongkong beggars, sturdy or decrepit, could be taken, we fancy the authorities would experience some amount of surprise. Many of these are doubtless new comers from Canton, but a fair number would be found to be old offenders, of at least eighteen months' standing. The latter have, in many cases, their regular beat or pitch, and so could easily be "gathered in." The "five dollars or a month" inflicted on those taken during last week-end will be a warning to the more timorous; but there are others whose boldness will only be damped by their receiving a similar sentence.

#### Another Nuisance.

Reference was made in a special article yesterday to some of the distractions which the public of the Colony has to endure in consequence of the non-enforcement of the law. There is another grievance which has to be aired; it is one which is most keenly felt in Kowloon, where, at the present time, many building projects are being carried out. We refer to the screeching of wheelbarrows which almost every day file up, and down the principal thoroughfare of Kowloon in processional order. The matter has been referred to this column before, and we only return to it because of complaints which have reached us during the past few days, when, apparently, the nuisance has become more pronounced than ever. Those who happen to live anywhere near the main street are, we are told, almost driven to distraction by the incessant screeching of the barrows. All that is needed to remedy the evil is the application of a little grease or oil or even soap, to the axle of the barrow; but such an idea would never enter the head of the Chinese labourer, for whom noises of every kind seem to have a peculiar attraction.

#### Effect of Ragtime.

It was with a sigh of relief that the heading "Ragtime Barred at Harvard" caught our eye in an American journal recently. We jumped to the conclusion—a hasty one, so it transpired—that this abominable development was at length being appraised at its true value; but when we read on, we gathered that the syncretized strains have been barred because they have been costing the Memorial Hall of the University named too much in broken crockery. When the ragtime begins, the coloured waiters have been unable to resist the sounds and have attempted to juggle their trays to the strains, with smashing results, while the students have added to the damage by rattling their knives and forks on the dishes in keeping time with the orchestra, chipped crockery being the result. It is good to read, however, that the twelve hundred students will still have music with their meals, but not of the ragtime variety.

### DAY BY DAY.

We are not put here merely to enjoy ourselves; it was not God's purpose.

#### The Mails.

German Mail.—Arrived per s.s. Soharhorst this afternoon.  
Siberian Mail.—Arrived per s.s. Chenan this morning.

German Mail.—Despatched per s.s. Prinz Ludwig at 10 a.m. to-day.

Siberian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Soharhorst at 5 p.m. to-day.

#### Gunboat Sails.

The German gunboat Itis sailed yesterday morning.

#### Left for Home.

Among the passengers who left for Home to-day by the s.s. Palawan were Major and Mrs. Tulloch and family.

#### Troops Back.

Lieut. Tod with 50 men of the R.G.A. and Royal Engineers arrived back to-day by the s.s. Kueichow from Tientsin.

#### Found Drowned.

A coolie employed at the cow sheds at Tai Hang Village was found drowned in one of the washing tanks near the village, yesterday.

#### Silk Delivery.

The cargo of raw silk shipped on board the s.s. Ernest Simons, which left this port on the 22nd April 1913, was delivered in Lyons on the 24th May 1913.

#### Plague.

Five cases of plague have been notified during the 24 hours ended at noon to-day, and four deaths. The total number of cases since January 1st is now 96.

#### Assaulted the Police.

The three New Zealand Chinese named Lopp, brothers, charged with assaulting the police whilst being searched on board a steamer, were each fined \$10, by Mr. O. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning.

#### The Snatcher.

A school girl was, according to the police report, seized by a man as she was going to school, on the second floor of 20, Aberdeen Street, and had her bangle stolen from her. The girl shouted, but the man got away.

#### Poor Memory.

A man prosecuted by Mr. Tramman, Head of the Sanitary Department, for causing an obstruction told Mr. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning that he did not remember being fined \$5 last September. He was now fined \$7.

#### Special Sermon.

We are asked to state that, by special request of the Bishop, a sermon will be preached at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception after Benediction on Friday afternoon, by the Rev. J. M. Tour, M.A., of the *Missiones Extrangeres*. All are invited to attend.

#### Royal Dutch Dividend.

Messrs Wright and Hornby inform us that they have received the following cable from London this morning:—"Royal Dutch will pay a dividend at the rate of 40 per cent. against 19 per cent. last year. Shells, final expected to be 5/- per share." The market value today was 115/- Middle.

### MARINE COURT.

Using a Licence for Another Vessel.

At the Marine Magistrate's Court, this morning, before Commander Basil Taylor R.N., Chang Ng, was charged with attempting to use a licence for a vessel other than the vessel therein specified, which had not been lawfully obtained.

It was stated that the defendant brought the licence to the harbor office to be renewed and the offence was thus discovered.

The defendant, who said the boat was the same but that, the brand not being distinct, he had cut the number in, was fined \$5.

Kwok Chin, master of the s.s. Sun Sam, was charged with unlawfully failing to exhibit the regulation lights while under way in the Harbour and was fined \$25.

On Kwai, master of the s.s. On Fung, for using his steam-whistle for purposes other than for navigation, at 5.40 a.m. in the harbour was fined \$10, while for a similar offence, Chan Tong of the s.s. Kwong Sang, was fined a like amount.

### THE CLOCK TOWER.

An Interesting Correspondence Dating from 1884

In view of the demolition of the Clock Tower the correspondence on the subject which follows, and which extends over a period of nearly fourteen years, will be read with interest. It shows that the arguments recently advanced against the Clock Tower were far from new and had been employed nearly thirty years ago:—

2 Club Chambers,

Hongkong,

March 28th, 1884.

Sir,—I have the honour of forwarding for presentation to His Excellency the Governor a Memorial by the Inhabitants of Hongkong for the removal of the Clock Tower.

It has been numerously signed by the principal Inhabitants and I could have obtained many more signatures had I canvassed further, but it was considered to be sufficient.

The Petition makes no reference for replacing the Clock Tower elsewhere.

It should be clearly understood however that the Inhabitants are not willing to do away with the Clock entirely but ask that another spot be found for it.

Several places have been suggested namely—1. At the foot of Peddar's Street or near to the proposed new Iron Pier. 2. On Peddar's Hill near to the Water Tanks above the lower portion of Wyndham Street, or 3rd Surmounting the new market, but doubtless the Honourable the Surveyor General will be better able to fix an appropriate site.

I am, Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

(Sd.) Matthew J. D. Stephens.

The Honourable

W. H. Marsh, C. M. G.

Colonial Secretary

Hongkong.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY.

Sir George Bowen, Knight, Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same:—

The Humble Memorial of the undersigned Inhabitants of the Colony of Hongkong Humbly Sheweth:—

1. The Clock Tower in the Queen's Road at the top of Peddar's Hill is inconveniently situated being an obstruction to traffic.

2. It is built upon and over the line of foot pavement leading from the corner of the Hongkong Hotel to the corner of the foot pavement fronting the Post Office and the line of foot passenger traffic on that side of the Queen's Road is in consequence forced into the carriage Road and passenger traffic thereby becomes greatly impeded and oftentimes dangerous by passing chairs and vehicular traffic.

3. In passing from the Queen's Road to the Praya down Peddar's Hill or Street the Clock Tower is a great obstruction as it takes up the greater portion of the roadway leaving but a comparatively small opening on either side thereof for chairs or vehicles to pass.

4. Your Memorialists understand that a previous Governor of this Colony seriously intended removing the Clock Tower but from some cause unknown to Your Memorialists the intention was abandoned.

5. There are several sites in the Colony where a Clock Tower could be more universally seen than in its present position.

6. It would be a great advantage to new arrivals in the Colony if the Clock Tower were replaced by an ornamental design combining both a cluster of Gas Lamps and Street Indicators.

Your Memorialists therefore

humbly pray:—

1. That the Clock Tower be removed from its present site.

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### INTERPORT SHOOTING.

Some Circumstances Which Handicap Hongkong Riflemen.

[SPECIAL ARTICLE.]

The relatively poor showing which Hongkong has made this year in the Interport rifle shoot has been the subject of much comment by local riflemen, and various reasons have been advanced to explain the fact. On the actual day of the firing-off, luck was against the team in the matter of weather; but though this circumstance undoubtedly had its effect on the score on this particular occasion, we must go more deeply into the matter if we are to ascertain why Hongkong has been unable in recent years to regain its former prestige in the contests against Shanghai, Singapore and Penang. There are two explanations which most certainly have had a big effect on the question, and some comments may with advantage be made on these at the moment, leaving other points for consideration in a subsequent article. The two reasons are:—

1.—Lack of interest in rifle shooting under Bisley Rules.

2.—Absence of a central body, such as the now defunct Hongkong Rifle Association, open to all-comers.

#### Service Prejudices.

Let us look into the first point a little closely. It is a fact that the War Office authorities discourage "Bisley" shooting, presumably because it is not in accordance with their ideas of Service requirements, viz:—"snapping" and rapid firing. It therefore naturally follows that the military authorities here have little time or ammunition to spare for any class of shooting other than the recognised musketry practices, and this, do no doubt, accounts for the almost total absence of military representatives at the Interport practices. The War Office idea also extends to the Volunteers, and as qualification in the prescribed musketry course is an important condition of efficiency, it is the chief concern of the commanding officer to get all his men through each year, a task which apparently leaves little time or opportunity for Bisley shooting. With the interest of the Regulars and Volunteers thus restricted, shooting under N. R. A. rules—under which the Interport contests are fired—is left to the Reserves and members of civilian Rifle Clubs. The Reserve shoots are, however, held only about once a month, and then at one distance only on any one day—a circumstance which tends to stifle interest and at the same time affords no opportunity of acquiring experience with differences of elevation from one distance to another, as in the case of a shoot over the range in one afternoon. The two civilian clubs—the Naval Dockyard and Tai-koo—are unfortunately limited in scope, as membership is restricted to employees of the two establishments. Outsiders could probably become honorary members of these clubs, but this would hardly include eligibility to participate in, say, League matches, and practically means that such members could have the benefits of practice only.

#### A Strong Need.

To take the second point. In the days of the Hongkong Rifle Association there was always a good muster of rifle-men—naval, military as well as civilian—at the week-end shoots. These were sociable gatherings at which the beginners could gain encouragement and advice as to improvement, whilst the "veterans" interchanged ideas and news on shooting generally. This Association ran the Interport arrangements and, as the honour of representing the Colony was at that time deemed a distinction worth striving for, the competition for places in the team was very keen and interesting. The Hongkong Rifle League, which is not controlled by a committee formed of representatives of the several local shooting units, is a step in the direction of combination. Given financial support, there is no reason why this organisation could not extend its usefulness by bringing members of the existing units, such as Volunteers, Reserves, Police and civilian clubs, together in friendly individual competition at least once

a month on one of the several ranges; preferably King's Park. This would tend to bring out any promising talent and stimulate interest in shooting generally without interfering to any extent with the separate efforts of the units.

In a concluding article on this matter, the following points will be dealt with:—Difficulty in regard to the use of King Park Range; Inferior Rifles; Period fixed for the Match.

### HONGKONG MARKETS.

#### An Idle Rumour.

We are authorised to state that there is no truth whatever in a report which has been spread, to the effect that steps are being taken to build a market on the ground at present occupied by the old Skating Rink and the Empire Cinematograph Theatre. Most Hongkong people are, of course, aware that this particular land is Government property and that, after the Reclamation, it was let out on short leases, in case the Sanitary Board might at any time deem it necessary to use it for an extension of the Central Market. The lease of the Empire Theatre was, we believe, renewed for a further space of two years from November last.

In reserving—or partially reserving—this site for a market extension, should it ever be needed in the distant future, the Government of course had its eye on the fact that, from its being actually on the sea front, the quick landing of perishable goods, fish etc. would be an easy matter. If ever such a market should be built, we venture to those that the plan adopted in Singapore, of having the place open on all sides—i.e. just a roof supported by iron pillars—will be adopted, instead of the closed-up and insufficiently ventilated building which now exists. We believe that the plans for the present Central Market were drawn up by a London architect who had never seen the East at all.

At present, however, all this can only be a thing of the future. The Secretary of the Sanitary Board informs us that no provision whatever has been made in the estimates, either for 1913 or for 1914, for any such scheme, and that there is absolutely no foundation for the rumour.

"The story must have got about," he said, "through a misunderstanding as to the extension which we are carrying on at the other market. People in general do not seem to be aware that a new building is being carried up—is, in fact, almost finished—at the back of the Western Market, behind where the wooden temporary buildings and matcha stand. As soon as this is completed, the old shed will be pulled down, and stallholders will find plenty of accommodation in the new addition. Had there been any truth in the other story, we should have been bound to know of it long ago."

### TO-DAY'S GREAT QUESTION.

A reader propounds the following: "If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled pepper: how many pickles of pickled pepper did Peter Piper pick?" We refrain from answering, as the matter is still *sub judice*.

### AN ASTHMA CURE.

It will be seen from an advertisement in another column that a local gentleman, Mr. A. P. Nobbs, is offering a cure for asthma. As most of our readers know, Mr. Nobbs has been a resident of Hongkong for twenty-five years. He has been one of the principal chemists with Messrs A. S. Watson and has always interested himself in, and experimented towards, securing a cure for asthma. He cured himself of the malady after several years of acute suffering and he now offers his remarkable discovery to the world at large.

#### On Leave.

Mr. G. G. Seth, the Singapore deputy Public Prosecutor, is indisposed and is, at present, on leave in Java. During his absence Mr. J. O. Sugars, the late acting Legal Adviser of Johore, is carrying on the duties.



## INTERPORT RIFLE SHOOTING.

SHANGHAI TEAM LEAD WITH A TOTAL OF 952.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, May 27.

The Shanghai Team shot off in the Interport Rifle Competition this afternoon. The conditions were in every way favourable to good shooting.

A total of 952 was registered, this being a record score under the new conditions.

[All the competing ports have now shot off, with the exception of Penang. Shanghai leads, Singapore comes next with 931, and Hongkong next with 893. Strangely enough, Shanghai's score is identical with its total of last year, when, however, the team was disqualified for failing to comply with the conditions governing the competition].

## HONGKONG HOTEL CASE.

Accountant's Claim for \$198 In Lieu of Notice.

This morning in the Summary Court, before Mr. Justice Kemp, Paines Judge, the case was contended in which G. F. Soley, accountant, sued the Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd. to recover \$198, being as to \$18, three days salary in May, and as to \$180, one month's wages board and lodging, in lieu of notice.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, of Messrs Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston, for the defence.

Mr. Beaurepaire, assistant manager of the Hongkong Hotel, said that, at the interview between Mr. Taggart and the plaintiff on April 30, witness was present. It was agreed that there should be 24 hours notice on either side, and the question of extra remuneration for his extra duties as barman would be considered later. The plaintiff was given a drink allowance of an average of \$1 per day, but a dollar more or less at the end of the month would not be minded. Mr. Taggart told plaintiff that the bar was to be closed at midnight. Under that arrangement the plaintiff's duty would be from 10 p.m. until 6 a.m.

## The Closing of the Bar.

On the night of May 2 he received a report from the No. 1 private bar boy at 12.15 a.m., and in consequence, he went down to see if the bar was closed. He found that the bar was closed and Mr. Soley had just left and was going towards the office. This was reported to Mr. Taggart on the following morning. Occasionally witness had to go into the bar and see that everything was in order. On an average he did so once a week.

Wine was supplied according to lists signed by Mr. Taggart or witness. The plaintiff's signature on those produced in court was wholly unnecessary: the wine would be issued just the same if he were not there. When the wines were in the bar, the No. 1 bar boy was responsible, and with that matter the plaintiff had nothing whatever to do. Mr. Soley had signed the list for the dining room bar; he had nothing whatever to do with that bar.

## An Unnecessary Signature.

There was also a chit for one of Mr. Soley's bars, which he had not signed at all. The signature to the chits was purely a voluntary act and was not part of his duty. The milk book for the Dairy Farm, for the private bar downstairs, was produced to witness. The milk in that book had been issued without the plaintiff's signature, but merely on the Dairy Farm signature. There was another milk book for the public bar downstairs; Mr. Soley had signed that, but it was quite unnecessary. Witness did not know plaintiff had signed, and he should not have been in the bar to do so. Plaintiff had no instructions to sign any of the books or requisitions produced. The cash box key should be taken upstairs every night by the barman to his room, and the No. 1 boy would fetch it from there in the morning, and pay the cash into the hotel's office. There would be no necessity for Mr. Soley to come down in the morning.

## Question of Character.

Just before pay day, witness saw Mr. Soley about his salary, but merely to confirm what he had heard. Mr. Taggart was not

well at the time and witness did not care to trouble him. The staff book was locked up at the time.

Mr. Gardiner asked at this stage to be allowed to interpose the evidence of Mr. Goldring as to the plaintiff's character. There was some suggestion, he believed, that the plaintiff was drunk.

Mr. Shenton:—Indeed there is; it is part of our case.

Continuing, Mr. Shenton said he did not want to place any obstacles in the way of Mr. Soley.

His Lordship said the evidence could be called later.

Mr. Gardiner:—Since June 1912 the Hongkong Hotel has been very careful to have the terms of service of persons engaged defined in writing?—When persons are engaged permanently.

And all of them are engaged on the understanding as to 24 hours notice?—Yes.

That is in writing?—Yes.

Was Mr. Field permanently engaged?—He was taken on for probation.

And was dismissed within 4 or 5 months?—Yes.

So his employment was not very permanent was it?—Witness gave no answer.

Mr. Field was dismissed, was he not?—Yes.

And then re-engaged?—And then re-engaged and then finally dismissed.

As a permanent employee?—Given another chance.

No Written Agreement.

The next one that appears in the staff book was Mr. Soley. He is entered on April 10, is that so?—Yes.

Is that in your writing?—No; Mr. Taggart's.

There is no written agreement in the case?—No.

Can you explain why there was no written agreement?—I presume he was on trial.

Was Mr. Field not on trial?—No.

But they are all practically on trial; you have the option of dismissing them at 24 hours notice?—Yes; quite so. Twenty-four hours is the usual thing we give.

I put it to you that among the barmen, you don't know their characters, and they have no references in many cases?—That is the reason we make it 24 hours notice.

When was this entry made in the book?—That was made by Mr. Taggart on the day Mr. Soley was engaged.

Are you quite sure?—As far as I can remember.

Did you see him?—No.

Locked up.

The book was left lying about in the office?—No; locked up.

Always locked up?—Except when it was used by Mr. Taggart.

You will be surprised to hear that the plaintiff on the day before his dismissal saw the book in the hotel, lying about the office?—It might have been in Mr. Taggart's office.

The book is apparently well kept. The next entry is the contract, dated May 20, with a gentleman named Da Silva and signed by H. N. Beaurepaire as manager of the Hotel?—That is so.

And the next entry is between Mr. Taggart, and Mr. Tu about, dated May 7, is that so?—Yes.

Will you explain that?—That was because a new Portuguese engineer was taken on trial; he served satisfactorily and we got him to sign up.

Only a Probationer.

He was only a probationer?—Yes.

But he signed on, on May 20 on twenty-four hours notice, and the next is between Mr. Turnbull and Mr. Taggart dated May 7.

Mr. Shenton:—You mean to ask why they are out of order?

Witness:—Which agreement is that?

Mr. Gardiner:—I will show you the book.

Witness:—The man was engaged permanently by Mr. Taggart on a monthly basis.

Mr. Gardiner:—Look at the date; the first date is May 28, and the second is May 26; that is all?—Yes.

How do you explain that the documents get in the wrong order?

His Lordship:—The witness has given the explanation.

Mr. Shenton:—Is my friend suggesting that the entry with regard to Soley is not genuine?

Mr. Gardiner:—Yes; it is genuine. The only point I am going to put is whether Soley's entry of engagement and dismissal was not entered until after his dismissal?—That I cannot confirm, because Mr. Taggart had the matter in hand.

Did you paste the next page in?—Yes.

When did you paste it in?—On May 26.

Was the one for May 7 already pasted in when you pasted in the one on May 26?—Yes.

Witness in answer to Mr. Gardiner detailed the duties of the barman and said he was there to stop trouble.

Mr. Gardiner:—In fact he acted as "chucker out"?—No; he has to call a policeman.

Later Mr. Gardiner reverted to the same subject and asked: Did you not on one occasion send for Mr. Soley to assist you in "chucking" somebody out of the hotel?—No.

Did you not send for him?—Not to throw people out.

Well, to assist people out?—No; my instructions to Mr. Soley were always to send for a policeman.

There was some trouble at the lift; you were present hiding behind a pillar, I understand?—I don't remember.

Won't mention names, but between a gentleman in a bank and a guide?—Yes; that is true.

Did you send for Mr. Soley?—No.

Did Mr. Soley appear on the scene?—I don't know; I could not leave my office. I was not on the scene myself.

Did you see Mr. Soley?—I did not.

Because you were hiding, or what?—I was paying out to the Chinese staff.

At 11 o'clock at night?—That is the time we pay the Chinese staff.

You heard of some trouble?—I heard of it.

Did you not see it going on?—The office is at the back. Mr. White came in and told me about it and I told him to fetch a policeman and have the man removed.

You would have been surprised to hear that Mr. Taggart told him not to get a policeman; it would be the worst thing possible for a hotel to have a policeman on the premises?

Mr. Shenton:—This was not put to Mr. Taggart.

On another occasion there was some trouble in the bar, when Mr. Field was there, and did you not ask Mr. Soley to go in and stop the disturbance?—I did not.

Do you remember the trouble?—I do.

Do you know that he subsequently went to the police station?—Yes.

Why did Mr. Soley sign the books and check everything unless he thought it was his duty?—I don't know the reason.

But surely you don't blame him for having taken these precautions and looking after the interests of the company?—No; not at all.

The case was further adjourned.

Gallant Hussar Officer.

Captain E. G. Weldon 8th Hussars, who made such a gallant attempt to save the life of Private Hague, of the same regiment, who was accidentally drowned in the Goomti at Lucknow last October, has been awarded the bronze medal of the Royal Humane Society.

General Perrott.

Maj. Gen. Perrott, commanding the Royal Artillery at Gibraltar, and formerly G.O.C. in Singapore, was to give up his command early this month on reaching the age limit. He will remain in Gibraltar as acting Governor during the absence of Sir Archibald Hunter.

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## CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by our correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

## NATIONAL DEFENCE.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir—The challenge of Germany has now, and without further delay, to be met. Its extent is unparalleled in history.

The challenge is threefold. It is a twofold challenge to us, directly. A challenge, like by Sea and by Air. It is further through the intended prosecution of France—a challenge to us, indirectly, on Land.

The challenge is not being met in this Court.

In matters Aerial.—We have but rarely begun. In matters Naval;—by the admission of the First Lord of the Admiralty, we are standing substantially less than the figure which he has himself declared to be essential. In matters Military;—the demonstrable inadequacy of the Territorial Force, alike in numbers and in training, is such as to fetter the Nation's Expeditionary Force and to shake the freedom of action of the British Fleet.

Every warning of the Imperial Maritime League has now been justified by the inexorable logic of events;—and the First Sea Lord's public admission of the 21st April, that the Fleet is no longer able of itself to fulfil its first function, has given the League an added vindication from the lips of the highest professional and executive naval authority in the country.

Under these circumstances, may I be allowed the courtesy of your columns, to ask your readers to grant this League some portion at least of support, in order that its insistent efforts in the cause of the race may be rewarded with the only reward which the League desires:—The Security of the United Kingdom and the Empire.

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I am, Sir, Yours faithfully,

L. GRAHAM J. HORTON SMITH, Joint Founder and Honorary Treasurer, Imperial Maritime League, 2 Westminster Palace Gardens, Westminster, London, England. 8th May 1913.

## WOOD OIL CASE.

Application for Extension Taken in Chambers.

This morning a sitting of the Full Court, consisting of the Chief Justice, Sir W. Rees Davies K. C. and the Paines Judge, Mr. Justice Kemp, was to have been held to consider the application of Mr. E. H. Sharp K. C. appearing for the defendants in the case of W. R. Loxley and Co. v. The Nam Mow Firm, that the time for applying of leave to appeal from the judgment of His Honour, the Paines Judge, in Summary Jurisdiction on Wednesday May 21 might be extended.

Mr. Davidson, of Messrs Hastings and Hastings, instructed Mr. Sharp.

It will be remembered that the original action was brought by Messrs W. R. Loxley and Co., against the Nam Mow, alleging non-delivery of a quantity of wood oil ordered from the defendants.

It was alleged that wood oil was delivered which, on analysis, was found to be adulterated. Damages were claimed, and judgment was entered for the plaintiffs.

The matter was taken in chambers and we are informed that an extension of 14 days was granted.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. Palawan, sailed on 28th inst., for Singapore, &c.:—

Armstrong, Rev. Singh, C. H. W. Stadden, W. J. Apps, Engr. Lt. S. Sleep, W. C. H. Beath, G. T. Tulloch, Mrs. J. Bettison, Capt. B. G. Tuxford, Mrs. Bibi Kishn-kor Tulloch, Major J. B. Bibi Ran-kor Doberok, Miss A. Teji Singh, Mr. Doherty, J. & Mrs. Wong Way Windus Drake, H. A. Young, J. Hobby, F. W. Wise, Private Jacob, F. A. E. T. Morgan, H. R. McGibbon, J. E. T. Cope Singh, T.

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## China Coast Gazette.

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Mr N. Hood, acting chief engineer, Kwangohi, has gone second engineer, Toonan.

Mr W. Fothergill, acting second engineer, Toonan, has gone third engineer, same ship.

Mr E. Berthe, acting third engineer, Toonan, is awaiting orders.

Mr O. Austin, awaiting orders, has gone second officer, Hainkong.

Mr O. Perran, second officer, Hainkong, is on leave.

Mr L. McWilliams, third engineer, Kwangohi, has gone acting second engineer, Suivo.

Mr W. Crosbie, second engineer, Suivo, is awaiting orders.

Mr J. McJames has been appointed third engineer, Kwangohi.

Mr A. S. Allan, from leave, has gone second engineer, Kingsing.

Mr J. Kirkwood, acting second engineer, Kingsing, has gone third engineer, same ship.

Mr A. McG. Blair, third engineer, Kingsing, is awaiting orders.

Captain Bowker, of the Lok-sang, is on leave.

Mr S. Findeisen, chief officer, Kingsing, has gone acting master, Lok-sang.

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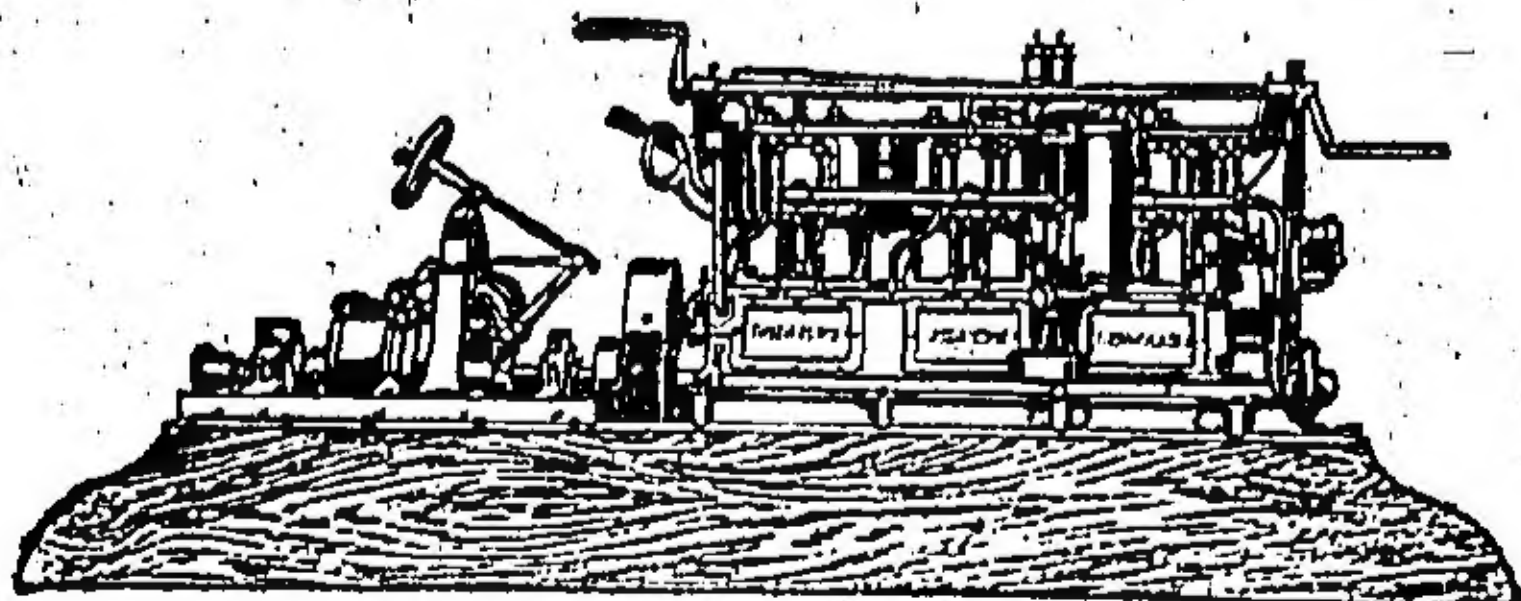
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## VESSELS TAKING CARGO.

## European Ports.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	For Freight Apply To	To be Dispatched.
London via Usual Ports of Call	Assaye	P. & O. Co.	7 June
London and Antwerp	Flintshire	J. M. & Co.	20 July
do do	Monmouthshire	J. M. & Co.	1 August
Havre, Hamburg & Bremen	Segovia	H. A. L.	17 June
Marseilles &c.	Magellan	M. M. Co.	3 June
do do	Paul Leat	M. M. Co.	17 June
do do	Armand Behic	M. M. Co.	1 July
do do	Atlantique	M. M. Co.	15 July
Marseilles & Hamburg, &c.	Ernest Simons	M. M. Co.	20 July
Marseilles, London and Antwerp	Sambia	H. A. L.	12 June
Marseilles, Havre and Hamburg	Glenturret	S. T. & Co.	5 June, about
Rotterdam, Hamburg & Antwerp	Furst Bulow	H. A. L.	28 June
Marseilles, Rotterdam and Hamburg	Brasilia	H. A. L.	2 July
Havre & Hamburg	Altmark	H. A. L.	14 July
Marseilles, London and Antwerp	Guldenfels	H. A. L.	18 July
do do	Kamo Maru	N. Y. K.	14 June
do do	Aki Maru	N. Y. K.	18 June
Rotterdam and Hamburg	Alesia	H. A. L.	11 June
Trieste via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, &c.	Africa	S. W. & Co.	13 June
Trieste, Fiume, Venice via Singapore, &c.	Persia	S. W. & Co.	2 June, about
Naples, Genoa, Algiers, Gibraltar, S'ton, Manila	Prinz Ludwig	N. Y. K.	28 May

## New York, San Francisco and Canada.

Boston and New York	Jessie	Bank Line	6 June
Mexican, Peruvian and Chili Ports via Japan	Hongkong Maru	T. K. K.	4 June
do do	Kiyo Maru	T. K. K.	5 August
New York via Ports and Suez Canal	City of Baroda	S. T. & Co.	29 May, about
San Francisco, etc.	Nippon Maru	T. K. K.	17 June
do do	Tenyo Maru	T. K. K.	24 June
New York	Saint Patrick	D. & Co. Ltd.	13 June about
San Francisco via Japan	Nile	P. M. Co.	3 July
Victoria, Vancouver, B.C., Seattle	Harpagus	J. M. & Co.	29 June, about
Victoria, B.C., & Tacoma via Japan, &c.	Tamba Maru	N. Y. K.	3 June
Vancouver via Japan	E. of India	C. P. E. Co.	7 June
Victoria, B.C., & Seattle via Shanghai, &c.	Tacoma Maru	O. S. K.	12 June
Vancouver via Shanghai, Japan, &c.	Monteagle	C. P. E. Co.	21 June
Portland, Tacoma and Seattle	Vestalia	J. M. & Co.	17 July
Vancouver, Portland, &c.	O. F. Laeisz	H. A. L.	20 June

## Australia.

Australian Ports via Manila	St. Albans	G. L. & Co.	21 June
do do	Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	4 June
do do	Prinz Waldemar	M. & Co.	14 June
do do	Ohangsha	B. & S.	18 June
do do	Aldenharn	G. L. & Co.	8 June
do do	Eastern	G. L. & Co.	19 July

## Singapore, Coast Ports and Japan.

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tjitaroem	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do	Tjimahi	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
Japan	Tjiliwong	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do	Tjimanoeck	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
Japan &c.	Armand Behic	M. M. Co.	1 June
do do	Atlantique	M. M. Co.	15 June
do do	Ernest Simons	M. M. Co.	29 June
do do	Amazona	M. M. Co.	13 July
Kobe and Moji	Australien	M. M. Co.	27 July
Tientsin	Dilwara	D. S. & Co.	5 June
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Cheongshing	J. M. & Co.	3 June
Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Yawata Maru	N. Y. K.	4 June
do do	Indo Maru	O. S. K.	22 June
Yokohama and Kobe via Shanghai	Itola	J. M. & Co.	12 June
Anping and Takao via Swatow and Amoy	Gisel	S. W. & Co.	31 May, about
Manila, &c.	Seohy Maru	O. S. K.	28 May
Haiphong	Taming	B. & S.	28 May
Swatow	Kaifong	B. & S.	28 May
Haiphong	Haiman	D. L. & Co.	28 May
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Sungkiang	B. & S.	28 May
Manila	Haiyang	D. L. & Co.	30 May
do do	Yuensang	J. M. & Co.	31 May
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	Loongsang	S. T. & Co.	7 June
Tamsui via Swatow and Amoy	Zafiro	S. T. & Co.	6 June
do do	Daiji Maru	O. S. K.	1 June
Foochow via Swatow and Amoy	Haiching	D. L. & Co.	3 June
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Kaijo Maru	O. S. K.	4 June
Singapore, Penang, & C'outta	Thongwa	D. S. & Co.	30 April
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Yatshing	J. M. & Co.	29 May
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Gregory Apar	D. S. & Co. Ltd.	30 May
Shanghai and Japan	Bangoon Maru	N. Y. K.	14 June
do do	Preussen	J. M. & Co.	30 June
do do	Sands	P. & O. Co.	30 May
do do	Birkenfels	H. A. L.	28 May
do do	Goldenfels	H. A. L.	13 June
do do	C. Ferd Laeisz	H. A. L.	19 June
do do	Silesia	H. A. L.	20 July
do do	Belgravia	H. A. L.	30 July
Shanghai	Kaga Maru	N. Y. K.	5 June
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama	Hangsang	J. M. & Co.	1 June
Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji	Sunda	P. & O. Co.	30 May, about
Shanghai, Tsingtau, Kobe and Yokohama	Canton	A. N. & Co.	7 June, about
do do	Tjilatjap	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do	Tjibodas	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do	Tjikini	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
Shanghai	Soharhorat	M. & Co.	28 May, about
do do	Africa	S. W. & Co.	29 May
Weihaiwei and Tientsin	Anhui	B. & S.	29 May
	Kuejchow	B. & S.	31 May

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## VESSELS ADVERTISED TO DEPART TO-MORROW.

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## VESSELS ADVERTISED TO ARRIVE TO-MORROW.

From.	Vessels.
Singapore	Chunsang.
Shanghai	Emp. of India.
Singapore	Africa.

## AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. s.s. Mongolia left San Francisco for Hongkong via the usual ports of call on the 3rd inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. Nippon Maru left Honolulu for Yokohama on the 16th inst., where she is due on the 27th inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 6th prox.

## AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. s.s. St. Albans left Sydney on the 7th inst., and may be expected to arrive here on the 30th inst.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The S. E. A. s.s. Canton left Port Said on the 12th inst., and may be expected here on the 7th prox.

The S. E. A. s.s. Caylon left Antwerp on the 13th inst., and may be expected here on the 20th prox.

The American and Manchurian Line s.s. Swazi passed the Suez Canal on the 6th inst., for Hongkong direct.

The Bank Line s.s. Boverio sailed from Tacoma on the 6th inst., and is due at Hongkong on the 6th prox.

The T. K. K. s.s. Hongkong Maru leaves Hongkong for South America via Japan Ports and Honolulu on the 4th prox.

The T. K. K. s.s. Kiyo Maru arrives at Salina, Cruz from Callao on the 23rd inst., and is due in Hongkong on the 20th July.

The T. K. K. s.s. Bujo Maru leaves Salina Cruz for Callao on the 23rd inst., and is due here on the 6th prox.

The P. & O. s.s. Sunda left Singapore for this port on the 25th inst. at 5 p.m. and is due here on the 30th inst. at about 7 p.m.

The S. Swazi left Singapore on Monday the 26th inst., and is due here on Sunday, 1st June at p.m.

The I. C. S. N. s.s. Chunsang from Singapore is due at Hongkong on the 29th inst.

The I. C. S. N. s.s. Fausang from Calcutta is due at Hongkong on the 10th prox.

The I. C. S. N. s.s. Cheongshing from Weihaiwei is due at Hongkong on the 30th inst.

The I. C. S. N. s.s. Onsang from Shihantao is due at Hongkong on the 30th inst.

The S. L. s.s. Monmouthshire from London is due at Hongkong on the 17th prox.

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## Russian Volunteer Fleet.

The STEAMERS of the RUSSIAN VOLUNTEER FLEET calling at Hongkong once a month both ways, Homeward and Outward, will accept Cargo and Passengers for the Ports they have to call at, on the way, according to the schedule viz:—

HOMEWARD BOUND STEAMERS for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Djibouti, Hodeidah, Jeddah, Suez, Port Said, Beyrouth, Constantinople, Batoum, Odessa.

N.B.—The steamers calling at the ports printed in black letters, may be cancelled, if no cargo or passengers offered there.

OUTWARD BOUND STEAMERS for Nagasaki and Vladivostok.

The Agency of the Russian Volunteer Fleet at Hongkong will also accept Cargo and issue through Bills of Lading for all Black and Azov Seas Ports, with transshipment at Odessa, and for Hakodate and all Ports of Tartarian Strait and Kamtschatka with transshipment at Vladivostok.

Cargo for all European Ports not mentioned in the steamer's schedule will not be accepted by this Agency.

The s.s. "MOGILEFF" 6200 R. T. Commander Kekouatoff is expected to arrive in Hongkong about the 4th day of June 1913, HOMEWARDS.

The s.s. "EKATERINOSLAV" 6581 R. T. Commander Tideman, is expected to arrive in Hongkong about the 17th day of June 1913, HOMEWARDS.

The s.s. "SIMFEROPOL" Outward Bound, is expected to arrive in Hongkong about the 28th day of May 1913.

For Freight, Passage and further particulars

Capt. D. A. LUKHMANOFF,

Agent,  
Hotel Mansions, 3rd Floor,  
Rooms Nos 12A & 14,  
Hongkong, 2nd May, 1913.

Telephone No. 1224.







## COMMERCIAL.

## M.B.K. Gets Philippine Military Coal Contract

The contract for supplying the quartermaster of the army in the Philippines with 80,000 tons of coal has been awarded to the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. This award was made at the department headquarters Manila, last week and is for the fiscal year beginning July 1. There were three competitive bidders for this contract, McCord and Company, Madrigal and Company, and the above named successful firm, the respective bids being \$7.70, (for Australian coal), \$6.40 for Chinese coal, and for the Japanese product 20,000 tons at \$6.20 and 80,000 at \$5.85, according to quality and form of delivery. This is the largest coal contract awarded for coal in the Philippines by 20,000 tons, by reason of increased transport work.—Exchange.

London Rubber Market. The East Asiatic Company's Daily Report for May 21 says:—The market in London yesterday was quiet. The closing prices were:—

Hard Fine Para Spot ... 3/10  
First latex crepe, delivery next three months ... 3/4  
The auctions were supported at the following prices:—  
First latex crepe ... 3/4  
Best sheets ... 3/2 1/2  
Ribbed smoked sheets ... 3/2 1/2  
Pale blanket crepe ... 3/3 1/2  
Shanghai Bullion, May 22, 1913.

Mexican Dollars: market rate ...  
Opening ... Tls. 73.55  
Closing ... Tls. 73.55  
Dragon Dollars: native bank rate, Tls. 73.5625  
Shanghai Gold Bars: 978 touch ... Tls. 354.1-2  
Bar Silver ... Tls. 111.15  
Copper Cash ... per tael, 17.78  
Sovereigns: buying rate, at 20.3-8—Tls. 7.19  
at Exch. 738.—Max. \$9.74  
Peking Bar ... Tls. 355  
Native Interest ...

## Public Auction.

G. 1123 R.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auctions Sale, to be held on Monday, the 2nd day of June, 1913, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at May Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 21st February, 1912, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square Feet	Annual Rent	Upper Price
1	At the foot of the hill, near the road leading to the cemetery, and bounded by the road leading to the cemetery and the road leading to the cemetery.	As per plan, 1,937 sq. ft.	1,937	6	1,574

## Public Companies

## NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON &amp; Co., Ltd.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty-eighth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong on Saturday, the 31st day of May, 1913 at 12.15 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1912.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Wednesday the 28th May to Monday the 2nd June, 1913, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 28th May, 1913.

## Entertainments

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## CANTON INSURANCE

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## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Canton Insurance Office Limited will be held at the Offices of the General Agents of that Company No. 16, Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, on Wednesday the 11th day of June, 1913 at noon when the subjoined Resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 21st day of May 1913 will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions:—

(1) "That the draft new Articles be approved."

(2) "That the new Articles already approved by this meeting which have for the purpose of identification been subscribed by the Chairman of the Company be and they are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all the existing Articles thereof."

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

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CANTON INSURANCE

OFFICE LTD.

## Notice.

## CHINESE POSTAL

## ADMINISTRATION.

## NOTIFICATION.

## FRAUDULENT SUR-

## CHARGED STAMPS.

THIS is to notify the public that any stamps of this Administration bearing a surcharge differing from those enumerated in the Annual Report on the working of the Post Office for the 3rd year of Heuan Tung (1911) are false, and are not recognised by this Administration.

BY ORDER.

Chinese Post Office, Canton,

24th May, 1913.

## BIJOU.

TO-NIGHT—THURSDAY

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Capital and Reserve \$7,000,000 (Gold)

EVERY DESCRIPTION OF BANKING BUSINESS transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened on the usual terms.

DEPOSITS RECEIVED, fixed for one year at 4 per annum, or for shorter periods at rates which may be ascertained on application.

BILLS NEGOTIATED AND COLLECTED.

MAINTAINED TELEGRAPHIC REMITTANCES.

LETTERS OF CREDIT AND DRAFTS granted on all the principal cities in the world.

THE BANK'S CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT are available all over the world.

COMMERCIAL LETTERS OF CREDIT issued.

PURCHASE and SALE of Stocks and Shares effected.

TRAVELLERS CHECKS sold and cashed.

GEORGE HOGG, Manager.

9, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 1st Nov. 1912.

1912

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

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Authorised Capital Yen 48,000,000

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Reserve Fund " 18,200,000

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Kobe Tientsin

Liao-Yang Tokyo

London Los Angeles

Lyons

Interest Allowed on Current Account.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

EISHI ONO, Manager.

Hongkong, 31st Mar., 1913. [18]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1853.

HEAD OFFICE.—LONDON.

Paid-up Capital £1,200,000

Reserve Fund £1,700,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors £1,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. S. HEWETT, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 11th April, 1912. [22]

## Notices

THE CHINA PROVIDENT

LOAN AND MORTGAGE

CO., LTD.

(Capital Paid up £1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &amp;c.

Goods received on Storage.

Advances made on Merchandise.

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The Office of TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF

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SHEWAN, TOMES &amp; Co. General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1908. [32]

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In Bags of 250 lbs. net.

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General Managers.

Tungkong, 16th August, 1901. [3]

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## Banks

## HONGKONG &amp; SHANGHAI

## BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital \$15,000,000

RESERVE FUNDS:

Sterling \$15,000,000

Silver 17,200,000

\$32,200,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors \$15,000,000

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Hongkong—Interest Allowed.

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For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per annum.

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For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.

N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK

THE Business of the above

Bank is conducted by the

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI

BANKING CORPORATION.

Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 3 Per Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 Per Cent. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

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Agent.

Direction der Disconto Gesellschaft.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHEIDT, Manager.

Hongkong, 9th Oct. 1911. [2]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,500,000

Subscribed " 1,125,000

Paid Up " 562,000

Reserved Fund " 415,000



**"EMPRESS OF ASIA."**

Due in Hongkong on July 30.

The local office of the C. P. R. Company inform us that the itinerary (as at present arranged) of R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" on her maiden voyage to Hongkong and the Pacific, is as follows:—  
 Leave Liverpool, Saturday, June 14.  
 Arrive Madeira, Wednesday, June 18.  
 Leave Madeira Thursday, June 19.  
 Arrive Cape Town Wednesday, July 2.  
 Leave Cape Town Friday, July 4.  
 Arrive Durban (Port Natal) Sunday, July 6.  
 Leave Durban Tuesday, July 8.  
 Arrive Colombo Saturday, June 19.  
 Leave Colombo Monday, June 21.  
 Arrive Singapore Friday, June 25.  
 Leave Singapore Saturday, June 28.  
 Arrive Hongkong Wednesday, June 30.  
 Leave Hongkong Wednesday, August 13.  
 Leave Shanghai (Woosung) Saturday, August 16.  
 Leave Nagasaki Monday, August 18.  
 Leave Kobe Tuesday, August 19.  
 Leave Yokohama Thursday, August 21.  
 Arrive Vancouver Saturday, August 30.

**1050 TAELS.**

Revenue Officer who Kept Awake.

The case in which two Chinese men and two Chinese women are charged with exporting and being in possession of 1050 taels of opium without a permit, again occupied the attention of Mr. Hazell, at the Police Court this afternoon.

Mr. Woodcock, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr. Otto Kong Sing, defended. It is alleged that the defendants placed the quantity of opium stated, on the s.s. Rubi.

A native revenue officer said that, when he went into the fireman's quarters of the s.s. Rubi, he found three packages of opium. The packages he found were now in Court.

His Worship, during the course of witness's evidence said he was a most stupid man.

Witness said two sampans were engaged from Tsai Tea Tsai, one going east and the other west. By Mr. Otto Kong Sing:—The sampan he (witness) was in went in the direction of Taikoo hong. They eventually drew alongside a launch and he got on board. He sat near the engine room and lay down. He did not go to sleep. (laughter.) A Chinese revenue officer remained at the stern.

The case was proceeding as we went to press.

Lieut. G. F. C. White, R. G. A.

Lieut. G. F. C. White, who was on April 19 appointed captain adjutant of the Welsh R.G.A. (T.F.), was lately serving with No. 3 Company, Hongkong-Singapore Battalion in the Straits Settlements. He got his first commission in December, 1900, and was promoted in September 1903.

**A VARIETY ARTIST'S DISMISSAL.**

In the King's Bench Division Mlle. Janette Barber, a music-hall artist, sued the Empire Palace (Limited) for damages for wrongful dismissal. It was stated that her performance included a series of songs between which the plaintiff retired behind a screen and changed her clothes. An electric light threw her sharply on the screen. The defendants discontinued the performance on the ground that it was objectionable. The jury stopped the case and returned a verdict for the defendants.

**LOCAL SPORT.**

**LAWN TENNIS.**  
 Kowloon C.C. Tournament.  
 The following matches have been decided:—  
 Championship—Beattie beat Pile 8-6, 6-1, 6-4. Beattie plays Hunter in the final.  
 "C" Class Singles Handicap—Biermann has qualified for the final by winning his match against Jack 6-3, 2-6, 6-1.  
 "B" Class Singles Handicap—MacAskill beat Crapnell 5-7, 6-0, 6-3.  
 Doubles Handicap—Abraham and Stevens have entered the semi-final round by beating Mead and Haigh 6-3, 4-6, 6-3.

**BILLIARDS.**  
 Soldiers' Club Tournament.  
 Continuing their billiard match in the competition for the cup, presented by the Hongkong Volunteers, at the Soldiers' Club, last evening, the R. E. B. team, increased their lead of 31 over the R.G.A. Victoria and Kowloon, to 71, winning two games against their opponents' one. The best win was that of Sapper Clarke over Sgt. Draper by 200 to 168, while Sapper Morgan had a hard fight with the Sergeant of that name to secure a narrow victory of ten points. The position to date is as follows:—

R. E. B.	200
Sapper Applin	178
Corpl. Coxon	183
Sapper Allen	200
Sapper Clarke	200
Sapper Morgan	200
R. G. A.	961
Sgt. Gillman	142
Sgt. Hare	200
Sgt. Campbell	200
Sgt. Draper	168
Sgt. Morgan	190
	900

Bought by Messrs. Andrew Weir. Messrs. Andrew Weir have purchased from the Bucknall Steamship Lines their two sister ships, Bulawayo and Johannesburg for £35,000 each. The Bulawayo, which is of 4,397 tons gross, was built in 1895 on the Tyne with dimensions 360ft. by 47ft. by 27.3ft. and has accommodation for about 100 first-class passengers.

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**POST OFFICE.****THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.**

Tuesday, the 3rd June being a General Holiday, the Post Office will be open from 7 till noon. There will be a delivery of ordinary correspondence and a collection from the Pillar Boxes as on Sunday.  
 The Registration Office will be closed at 11 a.m., for all outgoing mails.  
 The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

**MAILS VIA SIBERIA.**

London	Due
May 9	May 24
May 10	May 26

**MAILS ARRIVED TO-DAY.**

Coastports, s.s. Haiyang. Siberian, s.s. Chennan. German, s.s. Schornhorst.

**MAILS DUE.**

Canadian and Siberian, Empress of India, 29th inst.

The Empress of India with the Canadian and London mails of Wednesday (via Siberia) 7th and Saturday 10th inst. is expected to arrive here on Friday the 29th inst.

**MAILS CLOSE.**

Fort Bayard, Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Hongkong, 29th May, 9 a.m.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per Yatsing, 29th May, 1 p.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 29th May, 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Anhui, 29th May, 3 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per A'rica, 29th May, 4 p.m.

Shanghai North China Japan via Yokohama—Per Gisela, 29th May, 4 p.m.

Hoihow, Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Kaifong, 30th May, 8 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiyang, 30th May, 10 a.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per G. Apar, 30th May, noon.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 30th May, 1.15 p.m.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per Thongwa, 30th May, 2 p.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe (Europe via Siberia)—Per Sunda, 31st May, 9 a.m.

Tsingtau, Weihaiwei & Tientsin—Per Kueichow, 31st May, 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Yuen-sang, 31st May, 1 p.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 31st May, 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Hangsang, 31st May, 5 p.m.

Shanghai, North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per Chenan, 31st May, 5 p.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 1st June, 9 a.m.

Japan via Nagasaki—Per Azumasan-maru, 1st June, 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiching, 3rd June, 10 a.m.

Tientsin—Per Cheongshing, 3rd June, 10 a.m.

Saigon, Straits, Caylon, Adelaide, Western Aust.

tralia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Late Letters 11 to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents). (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

Per Magellan, 3rd June, 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States and South America—Per San Francisco—Per Nile, 3rd June, 11 a.m.

Japan via Moji, Honolulu, Manzanillo, Salina Cruz, Arica, Iquique, Valparaiso and Coronel—Per Hongkong-maru, 4th June, 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haimun, 6th June, 10 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Zafiro, 6th June, 3 p.m.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Thursday Islands—Per Aldenham, 7th June, 10 a.m.

Shanghai, North China Japan via Nagasaki, United States, South America and Canada via Vancouver (Europe via Siberia)—Per Empress of India, 7th June, 11 a.m.

**SHIPPING NEWS.****ARRIVED.**

Kjeld, Nor. s.s., 913, Helleso, 27th May—Bangkok via Swatow 26th May, Rice.—Kim Sing Lee.

Hangsang, Br. s.s., 1356, Wilde, 27th May—Shanghai and Swatow 26th May, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Haiyang, Br. s.s., 1363, Hodgins, 28th May—Fookchow, Amoy and Swatow 27th May, Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Rajah, Ger. s.s., 2028, Raslafsky, 28th May—Bangkok 10th May, Rice.—B. & S.

Samsen, Ger. s.s., 998, Petersen, 28th May—Swatow 27th May, Rice.—B. & S.

Daigi Maru, Jap. s.s., 846, Tokusui, 28th May—Tamsui and Formosa 25th May, Gen.—O. S. K.

Daito Maru, Jap. s.s., 745, Watanabe, 28th May—Saigon 23rd May, Rice.—Order.

Tjilmanok, Dutch s.s., 4971, W. Juriaanse, 28th May—Moji 23rd May, Coal.—J. C. J. L.

Kwangles, Chi. s.s., 1462, Mo-Arthur, 28th May—Canton 28th May, Gen.—Chinese.

Anhui, Br. s.s., 1355, Harris, 28th May—Canton 27th May, Gen.—B. & S.

Taiwan, Br. s.s., 1350, Jenkyns, 28th May—Saigon 24th May, Rice.—Chinese.

Chenan, Br. s.s., 1355, L. Jones, 28th May—Shanghai 25th May, Gen.—B. & S.

Kueichow, Br. s.s., 1220, Forsyth, 28th May—Tientsin, etc., 23rd May, Gen.—B. & S.

Scharnhorst, Ger. s.s., 4800, F. Rehen, 28th May—Singapore 24th May, Gen.—M. & Co.

**CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.**

May 27.  
 Strathgarry, for Milke.

Yunnan, for Bangkok.

Canada-maru, for Victoria.

Sosho-maru, for Amoy.

Hangsang, for Canton.

Glensk, for Nagasaki.

Glensk, for Yokohama.

Prinz Ludwig, for Hamburg.

May 28.  
 Sexta, for Bangkok.

Kwonchawuan, for K. C. Wan.

Haimun, for Swatow.

Taming, for Iloilo.

Rubi, for Iloilo.

Looksun, for Bangkok.

**DEPARTED.**

May 28.  
 Fukui-maru, for Port Arthur.

Kinkasan-maru, for Milke.

Birkenfels, for Yokohama.

Demodocus, for London.

Helene, for Swatow.

Fongtong, for Haiphong.

Sungkiang, for Haiphong.

Telamachus, for Yokohama.

Palawan, for Antwerp.

Prinz Ludwig, for Staats.

Haimun, for Swatow.

Sosho-maru, for Amoy.

Canada-maru, for Tacoma.

Hangsang, for Canton.

Yusun, for Shanghai.

Taming, for Philippine Islands.

Glensk, for Japan.

Rubi, for Philippine Islands.

Looksun, for Siam.

Glensk, for Shanghai.

Phaumpenh, for Saigon.

Sexta, for Siam.

**PASSENGERS ARRIVED.**

Per s.s. Hangsang, arrived 27th inst., from Shanghai, &c.—Green, Mr. & Mrs. Iles, E.

Per s.s. Palawan, arrived 27th inst., from Yokohama, &c.—Ashby, Gardner, Bonfield, Hobby, Drake, Hollamby, Doherty, Hallett, Miss Dallas, Mr. and Stone, Mrs. Wise, Gulise, Williams.

Per s.s. Chenan, arrived 28th inst., from Shanghai.—Jams, Morse.

Per s.s. Kueichow, arrived 28th inst., from Tientsin, &c.—Tod, Lieut.

**TIDE TABLE.**

26th May to 1st June, 1913.

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**WEATHER REPORT.**

On the 28th at noon.—The barometer has fallen moderately over the China coast, north Japan and the Bonins.

The anticyclone, which has weakened considerably, is central over the Eastern Sea, and depressions cover S. Manchuria and Indo-China.

No returns from Luzon.

Light to moderate southerly winds are indicated over the northern portion of the China Sea. Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

**FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.**

District. Forecast.

1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood. S. E. and S. winds, light to moderate; fair.

2 Formosa Channel. N. winds, veering to S. E.; light to moderate.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamook. The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.

28th May, a.m.

Station. Hour. Barometer. Temperature. Humidity. Wind. Force.

Wootook 7a 29.6536 — se 2 b

Napua 6a 29.75 — w 6

Hakodate 29.81 — n 1

Tokio 29.73 — n 1

Kochi 29.88 — sw 1

Nagasaki 29.90 — 0

K'ashima 29.89 — s 1

Oshima 29.91 — 0

Naha 29.91 — nne 1

Ishijima 29.85 — 0

Bonin Is. 29.8462 51 sw 5 eb

Chesoo 29.89 60 — se 2 o

Whaiwei 29.89 60 — sse 2 omz

Hankow 29.89 60 — 0

Ichang 29.89 60 — 0

Kiukiang 29.89 60 — 0

Changsha 29.89 60 — 0

Shanghai 29.89 60 — 0

Gutzlaff 29.89 60 — 0

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